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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OF WAKEFIELD

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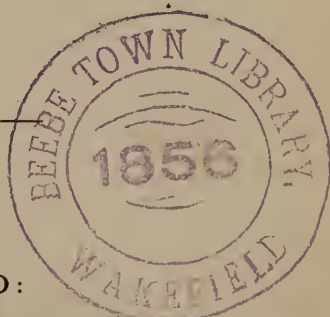
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 25, 1876,

CONTAINING REPORTS OF THE

AUDITORS, SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, OVERSEERS OF
THE POOR, TREASURER, COLLECTOR, FIRE
ENGINEERS, SCHOOL COMMITTEE, AND
LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

ALSO,

THE TOWN CLERK'S RECORD OF THE
BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS,
DURING THE YEAR 1875.



WAKEFIELD:

W. H. TWOMBLY, PRINTER, WAKEFIELD'S BLOCK.

1876.

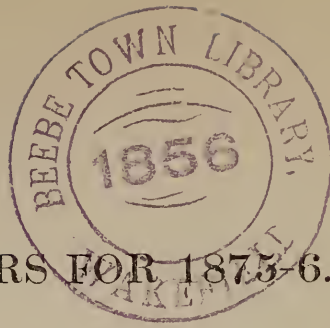
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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1875-6.

SELECTMEN.

WILLIAM S. GREENOUGH, *Chairman and Secretary.*
WAL. K. PERKINS, ROBERT L. MURKLAND.

CLERK.

CHARLES F. HARTSHORNE.

TREASURER.

JAMES F. EMERSON.

ASSESSORS AND FENCE VIEWERS.

EDWARD MANSFIELD, DAVID PERKINS, R. L. MURKLAND.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

JAMES OLIVER, *Chairman.* DANIEL G. WALTON,
CYRUS N. WHITE.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

WILLIAM F. POTTER,* <i>Chairman,</i>	.	.	Term Expires	1876.
CHARLES R. BLISS,	"	.	"	" 1876.
LUCIUS BEEBE,	.	.	"	" 1877.
CHAPLIN G. TYLER,	.	.	"	" 1877.
HENRY D. SMITH, <i>Secretary,</i>	.	.	"	" 1878.
GEORGE W. ABORN,	.	.	"	" 1878.

*Resigned.

AUDITORS.

T. J. SKINNER, FREEMAN EMMONS, E. E. EMERSON.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

OTIS V. WATERMAN.

TRUSTEES OF THE BEEBE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

LUCIUS BEEBE, <i>Chairman.</i>	S. O. RICHARDSON,
CHESTER W. EATON, <i>Treasurer,</i>	FRANCIS P. HURD,
THOMAS WINSHIP,	GEORGE A. HARDY,
EDWARD MANSFIELD,	JOHN M. CATÉ,
THEODORE E. BALCH, <i>Sec'y.</i>	AZEL AMES, JR.,
MRS. ELIZA A. WAKEFIELD,	HENRY D. SMITH,
MRS. HARRIET N. FLINT.	

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

JOHN H. PERKINS,	.	.	.	.	.	Centre District
DAVID BATCHELDER,	.	.	.	.	.	North "
GEORGE K. GILMAN,	.	.	.	.	.	South "
A. N. BLANCHARD,	.	.	.	.	.	East "
CYRUS KIMBALL,	.	.	.	.	.	West "
JOSEPH TUTTLE,	.	.	.	.	.	Woodville "

BOARD OF HEALTH.

S. O. RICHARDSON, J. R. MANSFIELD, J. P. TUCKER

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

J. W. JENKINS, *Chief*, A. J. HUTCHINSON, *Sec'y*,
JOHN H. EMERSON.

CONSTABLES.

DANIEL CAREY, MOSES STAPLES, CHAS. H. DAVIS

POLICE OFFICERS.

CHAS. H. DAVIS, *Chief*, MOSES STAPLES, F. G. COKER,
DANIEL CAREY, JOSEPH TUTTLE, R. L. COOPER,
ISSACHAR STOWELL, I. F. SHELDON, GEO. A. DALAND,
MAJOR TATTERSALL, JOHN F. ALEXANDER.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

CHARLES F. HARTSHORNE.

WEIGHERS OF COAL AND MERCHANDISE.

GEO. W. ABORN, GEO. M. HALL

POUND KEEPER.

JOHN B. ATWELL.

MEASURERS OF WOOD.

JOSEPH TUTTLE, C. W. GREEN, H. A. HORTON,
JOSHUA WALTON, LUCAS SMITH, HENRY CLAY,
A. J. HUTCHINSON.

TRUANT OFFICERS.

DANIEL CAREY, WILLIAM G. SKINNER

FIELD DRIVERS.

JAMES GILL, SYLVESTER BURDITT, H. M. RIDEOUT,
E. E. OLIVER, DANIEL W. HUNT.

List of Jurors

ACCEPTED BY THE TOWN NOVEMBER 2D, 1875.

Abbott, Benj. F.
 Abbott, George
 Atwell, Wm. H.
 Atwell, John
 Britton, Richard
 Beckford, Charles F.
 Batchelder, David
 Bancroft, Benj. F.
 Beebe, Cyrus G.
 Cooper, Reuben L.
 Carey, Daniel
 Curtis, Andrew
 Daland, Geo. A.
 Eaton, Levi B.
 Emerson, John H.
 Eaton, Isaac F.
 Gilman, Geo. K.
 Green, Chas. W.
 Haskell, Henry L.
 Hartshorne, Chas. F.
 Hartshorne, Wm. H.
 Jenkins, John W.
 Lally, Thomas
 Mason, David P.
 Mansfield, James J.
 Murkland, Rob't L.

Morrison, Geo. R.
 Nichols, Hero
 Oliver, James
 O'Hea, Bartholomew
 Perkins, David
 Perkins, Wm. K.
 Perham, Joshua
 Philpot, Cyrus A.
 Pitman, Lawrence J.
 Pope, J. Holman
 Putney, Stillman J.
 Richardson, Solon O.
 Sheldon, Isaac F.
 Skinner, Wm. G.
 Southworth, Mason S.
 Sweetser, Jewett B.
 Sweetser, E. Felton
 Staples, Moses
 Tyler, John A.
 Walton, Solon
 Walton, J. C. W.
 Westgate, James
 Williams, Francis
 Woodward, James F.
 Young, Wm. F.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1875-6.

For Support of Schools,	.	.	.	\$12,500	00
School Contingent Fund,	.	.	.	1,000	00
Support of the Poor,	.	.	.	4,000	00
“ “ Fire Department,	.	.	.	4,700	00
Highways and Bridges,	.	.	.	4,000	00
Railing for Highways,	.	.	.	500	00
Payment of Town Officers,	.	.	.	2,800	00
Expense of Street Lamps,	.	.	.	1,200	00
Support of Public Library	{ including dog tax } 1874-5, \$383.04,				583 04
Case G. R. Barnes vs. Town,	.	.	.	4,700	00
Miscellaneous Expenses,	.	.	.	4,000	00
Building Orchard Street,	.	.	.	200	00
“ Cottage “	.	.	.	500	00
“ Summer “	.	.	.	400	00
Reservoir, Melvin “	.	.	.	600	00
“ Cor. School and Central Streets,	.	.	.	200	00
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Total Appropriations, Selectmen's Department,				\$41,883	04
For Payment of Interest on Town Debt,				9,500	00
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Total appropriations,	.	.	.	\$51,383	04

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Appropriation authorized,	\$12,500 00
Less amount transferred to School Contingent Fund, by vote of Town Feb'y 21st, 1876,	250 00
	<hr/> \$12,250 00

Expended as per following details :

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Paid Melvin J. Hill,	High School, (11 mos.)	\$1,650 00
Abbie F. Nye, Asst.	" "	568 75
Eliza M. Greenwood, Asst.	High School,	75 00
M. E. Wentworth,	Advanced Grammar,	650 00
Abbie S. Perkins,	First " "	507 00
Ella M. Pinkham,	Second " "	507 00
Lilla M. Means,	Third " "	507 00
Francella M. Evans,	First Primary,	448 50
C. Eveline Sweetser,	Second " "	448 50
Elenora Hutchinson,	Training School,	650 00
Alice M. Wiley,	" "	54 00
Hattie E. Perkins,	" "	87 00
Clara M. Sweetser,	" "	48 00
Myra A. Stearns,	" "	27 00
Alice Alexander,	" "	30 00
Susie A. Turnbull,	" "	30 00
Clara M. Sweetser,	Ricker Primary,	36 00
Alice M. Wiley,	" "	30 00
Myra A. Stearns,	" "	51 00
" "	Franklin Street,	204 00
Alice M. Wiley,	" "	66 00
M. Annie Warren,	" "	448 50
Sara L. Thomas,	" "	207 00
" "	North District,	218 50
Cora B. Bancroft,	" "	180 00
Julia L. Hopkins,	" "	108 00
Annie R. Killoran,	East " "	390 00

Amount carried forward. . . . \$8,226 75

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>			\$8,226 75
Paid Emma L. Upham,	"	"	234 00
Ella M. Dager,	West	"	429 00
Sophie F. Hamblin,	"	"	448 50
Frannie L. Hartshorne,	Greenwood,		400 50
Mary E. Stocker,	Woodville,		109 20
E. Fannie Butterfield,	"		144 00
L. J. Mansfield,	"		190 00
F. E. Grover,	Music Teacher,		272 00
Total Salaries,			<hr/> \$10,453 95

JANITORS' SERVICES.

Paid Wm. H. Wiley,	High School Building,	\$296 66
Wm. G. Skinner	Centre District,	63 00
Abel F. Hutchinson,	" "	154 00
James E. Buckley,	Franklin Street,	71 00
Henry Phelps,	North District,	36 75
Jerry Lyons,	East "	13 50
Geo. H. Wiley,	" "	21 00
Jonas Cowdrey,	West "	55 50
Isaac F. Sheldon,	Greenwood,	33 75
E. Butterfield,	Woodville,	29 25
Wm. Ricker,	Ricker Primary,	13 50
Total,		<hr/> \$787 91

FUEL ACCOUNT.

Paid Geo. W. Aborn,	42 Tons Coal at \$7.90,	\$331 80
" " "	1 " " 9.00,	9 00
" " "	Basketing,	75
" " "	2 C'ds Oak Wood at \$10.00	20 00
" " "	3 " Pine " " 7.00	21 00
" " "	Teaming,	2 00
" " "	Matches,	55
Joseph Tuttle,	35 C'ds Oak Wood at \$8.00	280 00
" " "	10 1-2 " Pine " " 5.50	57 75
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<hr/> \$722 85

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>			\$722 85
Paid H. D. Hoyt, 2 1-2 C'ds Pine Wood at 6.00			15 00
J. J. Mansfield & Son, 8 1-4 ft. Oak "	10.00		10 31
Benson & Hall, 8 Tons Coal, "	8.25		66 00
" " Basketing,			6 00
Asaph Evans, Preparing Fuel,			68 58
Moses G. Hobson, " "			15 13
Waldo E. Cowdrey, " "			3 00
Isaac F. Sheldon, " "			13 00
Jerry Lyons, " "			4 75
James E. Buckley, " "			14 75
Wm. H. Wiley " "			4 50
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Total,			\$943 87

Recapitulation.

Appropriation brought forward,		\$12,250 00
Expended :		
Teachers' Salaries,	\$10,453 95	
Janitors' Services,	787 91	
Fuel Account,	943 87	
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Total Expended,		\$12,185 73
Balance Unexpended,		\$64 27
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		\$12,250 00

SCHOOL CONTINGENT FUND.

Appropriation authorized,	\$1,000 00	
Transferred from regular appropriation by vote of Town,		
February 21st, 1876,	250 00	
Cash refunded by School Committee on acc't Singing Books,	53 82	
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		\$1,303 82

Expended as per following details :

Paid American Tablet Co.,	bl'kb'ds and erasers,	\$6 40
A. J. Wilkinson & Co.,	gong, etc.	8 63
Murphy, Leavens & Co.,	brushes, dusters, etc.	64 60
Daniel Cummings & Co.,	brooms, pails, etc.	22 90
S. R. C. Association,	broom,	45
Doane & Greenough,	ink,	17 00
Skinner & Co.,	conveying music teacher,	48 00
Conant & Newhall,	printing,	5 00
W. H. Twombly,	printing,	39 25
W. H. Twombly,	stove,	35 00
Joseph Cartwright,	" and repairs,	18 25
G. N. Littlefield & Co.,	" "	158 10
M. S. Southworth,	building fence north	
side High School lot,	. . . . .	78 06
Richard Britton,	collecting statistics,	15 00
G. W. Kendall,	wheelbarrow,	8 00
B. Peabody,	new pump and repairs,	22 00
Melvin J. Hill,	sundries,	14 40
L. P. Goullaud,	singing books,	166 66
White & Goullaud,	pitch pipes, etc.	4 50
C. P. Foster,	books and supplies,	151 02
Young & Bartlett,	books, etc.	9 26
Misses Perkins and Pinkham,	stationery,	12 50
J. L. Ross,	repairs on furniture,	8 33
Geo. K. Gilman,	labor Greenwood school yd.	49 83
H. N. Winslow,	teaming,	1 50
H. L. Haskell,	labor and repairs,	3 00
W. A. Hamblin,	" "	9 75
Lewis Fairbanks,	" "	11 25
Bacon & Sweetser	" "	40 40.
Staples & Teague,	" "	11 12
J. B. Wiley,	" "	12 60
C. H. R. Cheney,	repairing clocks,	4 00
H. L. Hall,	" "	4 25
Luther Crocker,	repairs,	2 25

Amount carried forward, \$1,063 26

Amount brought forward, . . .	\$1,063 26
Paid John Purington, repairs, . . .	30 99
M. C. Taylor, " . . .	57 28
N. C. Mayo, " . . .	23 00
D. P. Richardson, " . . .	46 50
W. H. Wiley, extra labor, . . .	20 05
I. F. Sheldon, labor and sundries, . . .	7 37
Henry Phelps, " " . . .	2 50
Jonas Cowdrey, labor, . . .	4 15
G. H. Wiley, " . . .	2 27
Wm. Crane, " . . .	50
J. H. Perkins, " . . .	3 50
G. O. Sanderson, " . . .	1 25
Israel Gray, " . . .	11 75
James E. Buckley, supplies, . . .	20
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Total Expenditures, . . .	\$1,274 57
Balance unexpended, . . .	\$29 25
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	\$1,303 82

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Appropriation authorized, . . .	\$4,000 00
Paid James Oliver, Chairman of Overseers, as per receipts, . . .	4,650 00
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Balance overdrawn, . . .	\$650 00

The details of expenditures will be found in the Report of Overseers of the Poor.

By vote of the Town, Feb'y 21st, 1876, the Selectmen were authorized to draw orders on the Treasurer for this Department, in excess of appropriation, if necessary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation authorized, \$4,700 00

Expended as follows :

YALE ENGINE COMPANY, No. 1.

Paid Firemen's Services to May 1st, 1875,	.	.	\$1,229 17
Wm. Jeffers,	repairs,	.	146 20
J. & S. Winship,	"	.	121 25
J. W. Jenkins,	"	.	5 40
J. W. Smallcon	"	.	1 60
G. N. Littlefield & Co.,	" and sundries,	.	3 64
Bacon & Sweetser,	"	.	3 58
J. F. Woodward & Son,	"	.	7 15
J. H. Emerson,	labor,	.	16 05
A. J. Hutchinson,	"	.	6 32
F. G. Coker,	"	.	2 00
Sylvester Burditt,	"	.	19 00
W. S. French,	Steward,	.	19 05
David Flanders,	"	.	31 05
G. W. Aborn,	fuel,	.	16 40
Citizens' Gas Company,	gas,	.	22 05
S. R. C. Association,	sundries,	.	1 50
Norcross, Mellen & Co.,	feather duster,	.	3 33
D. P. Richardson,	use of horses,	.	4 00
H. N. Winslow,	teaming,	.	12 00
N. B. and A. E. Proctor,	oil clothing,	.	15 00

Total, \$1,685 74

C. WAKEFIELD ENGINE COMPANY, No. 2.

Paid Firemen's Services to May 1st, 1875,	.	\$962 50
Lewis Fogg, Steward,	.	82 65
Geo. W. Aborn, fuel,	.	12 53
Issachar Stowell, repairs,	.	2 50
S. R. C. Association, sundries,	.	4 55
G. N. Littlefield & Co., "	.	15
Chas. H. Derby, use of horses,	.	2 00

Amount carried forward, . . . \$1,066 88

Amount brought forward, . . .	\$1,066 88
Paid C. Wakefield Co., use of horses, . .	6 00
N. B. & A. E. Proctor, oil clothing, . .	18 75
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Total	\$1,091 63

CHEMICAL ENGINE COMPANY, No. 1.

Paid Firemen's Services to May 1st, 1875, . .	\$258 33
W. A. Prescott, Steward,	26 68
Justin Howard, "	25 35
Ira Wiley, rent of house,	41 33
Oscar Hutchinson, " "	41 67
Cutler Bros. & Co., chemicals,	18 90
G. N. Littlefield & Co., repairs and sund's, .	6 26
Roger Howard, "	4 00
J. & S. Winship, "	3 75
J. F. Woodward & Son, "	3 38
Geo. W. Aborn, fuel,	5 40
Howe & French, chemicals,	5 67
D. B. Stedman & Co., sundries,	3 90
N. E. Fire Ex. Co., rubber buckets, . . .	9 00
H. N. Winslow, teaming,	11 00
C. Hayes, rubber suits,	17 25
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Total,	\$481 87

WASHINGTON HOOK & LADDER COMPANY, No. 1.

Paid Firemen's Services to May 1st, 1875, . .	\$612 35
John M. Cate, rent of room,	291 78
John F. Alexander, Steward,	49 58
J. & S. Winship, repairs,	10 00
John Purington, "	27 62
Staples & Teague, "	2 25
Bacon & Sweetser, "	8 30
G. N. Littlefield & Co., " and sundries, .	25 71
S. R. C. Association, sundries,	1 84
Citizens' Gas Co., gas,	19 35
C. H. Robertson, repairs,	90
J. H. Perkins, use of horses,	6 00
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Total,	\$1,055 68

OTHER EXPENSES IN THE DEPARTMENT.

Paid H. L. Hall, engineers' badges, . . .	\$6 36
J. H. Emerson, ringing bell for meetings, .	3 00
W. H. Twombly, printing, . . .	15 00
Town of Melrose, use of engine, . . .	5 00
Andrew Goodwin, ringing fire alarm; .	12 10
E. Mansfield & Son, oil, &c., . . .	3 70
G. N. Littlefield & Co., nails, . . .	15
L. F. Linnell, expressing, . . .	5 75
J. H. Eaton, " . . .	8 90
Thomas Conely, fire police, . . .	2 00
H. N. Winslow, teaming, . . .	13 50
Staples & Teague, frames, . . .	3 12
J. N. Eames, repairs, . . .	2 50
J. P. Tucker, chamois skins, . . .	1 90
J. H. Emerson, to complete reservoir cor. School and Central, in excess of appro- priation, . . .	100 00
Hunneman & Co., new hose and repairs, .	147 49
N. E. Linen Hose M'fg Co., repairing hose,	9 50
James Boyd & Sons, " "	2 50

Total, . . . \$342 47

Recapitulation.

Yale Engine Co. No. 1, . . .	\$1,685 74
C. Wakefield Co. No. 2, . . .	1,091 63
Chemical Engine Co. No. 1, . . .	481 87
Washington Hook & Ladder Co., . . .	1,055 68
Sundry other Expenses, . . .	342 47

\$4,657 39

Balance unexpended, . . . 42 61

\$4,700 00

BUILDING RESERVOIRS.

Appropriation for Melvin Street,	\$600 00
“ “ North Ward,	200 00
Drawn from Fire Dep't Fund by order of Board of Engineers,	100 00

Total, \$900 00

Expended as follows by the Board of Fire Engineers :

Paid N. H. Dow, as per contract, for building Melvin Street Reservoir,	\$460 00
Sundry Individuals, for labor on North Ward Reservoir,	360 58
Peterson & Parker, covering stone, do., . .	42 50
W. H. Twombly, advertising proposals, . .	2 00
J. & S. Winship, repairing tools,	3 34
J. R. Horton, sundries,	3 00
G. N. Littlefield & Co., tools and repairs, . .	3 77
S. D. Hobson, plank,	7 57

Total, \$882 76

Unexpended balance, 17 24

\$900 00

This unexpended balance (\$17.24) was disbursed by the Board of Engineers as follows :

Paid J. F. Alexander, Steward H. & L. Co., . .	\$12 50
G. W. Aborn, fuel, “ “	2 75
D. P. Richardson, use of horses,	2 00

\$17 25

PAYMENT OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation authorized, \$2,800 00

Distributed as follows :

Paid Board of Auditors for 1874-5,	.	.	\$100 00
“ Selectmen for 1875-6,	.	.	400 00
“ Assessors for 1875-6,	.	.	400 00
“ Fire Engineers for 1875-6,	.	.	100 00
James Oliver, as Overseer of the Poor,	.	.	91 00
Cyrus N. White, “ “ “	.	.	42 00
Otis V. Waterman, Collector, on acc’t,	.	.	550 00
Chas. F. Hartshorne, Town Clerk,	.	.	75 00
W. F. Potter, School Committee 1875-6,	.	.	50 00
Chaplin G. Tyler, “ “ “	.	.	30 00
Henry D. Smith, “ “ “	.	.	30 00
Geo. W. Aborn, “ “ “	.	.	33 33
John F. Alexander, Janitor Town Hall,	.	.	296 50
Wm. G. Skinner, Truant Officer 1874-5,	.	.	50 00
“ “ “ “ 1875-6,	.	.	30 00
Daniel Carey, “ “ 1875-6,	.	.	30 00
Oliver Walton 2d, Return of Deaths,	.	.	17 25
Charles H. Davis, Constable duty,	.	.	10 00
“ “ Police “	.	.	61 80
Daniel Carey, “ “	.	.	187 70
F. G. Coker, “ “	.	.	84 20
Oliver Walton, 2d, “ “	.	.	24 85
John F. Alexander, “ “	.	.	13 00
R. L. Cooper, “ “	.	.	16 30
Moses Staples, “ “	.	.	35 00
Geo. A. Daland, “ “	.	.	15 00
Henry D. Hoyt, “ “	.	.	2 50
Major Tattersall, “ “	.	.	3 60
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Total expended,	.	.	\$2,779 03
Balance unexpended,	.	.	20 97
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			\$2,800 00

NOTE.—We deem it but just to state that both the services and expenses of Daniel G. Walton as Overseer of the Poor are gratuitous to the town.

SUPPORT OF BEEBE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Appropriation authorized, regular,	\$200 00
Dog Tax 1874-5,	383 04
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	\$583 04
Paid C. W. Eaton, Treasurer of Trustees,	\$583 04
For details of expenditure see Report of Trustees.	

EXPENSE OF STREET LAMPS.

Appropriation authorized,	\$1,200 00
Expended as follows :	
Paid Citizens' Gas Co. for gas,	804 88
G. F. D. Skinner for lighting,	60 00
Chas. S. Knowles, “	78 50
A. D. Cate, “	184 84
Joseph Cartwright, lamps, etc.,	11 65
W. K. Perkins, oil, etc.,	2 79
“ “ labor lamp posts,	2 00
W. A. Cutter & Co., oil, chimnies, etc.,	16 10
C. R. Tuttle, “ “ and light'g,	11 31
Joseph Descalzo, repairs,	3 60
William Mills & Co., “	1 15
Mason & Bridger, “	11 75
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Total,	\$1,188 57
Balance unexpended,	11 43
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	\$1,200 00

CASE OF GEO. R. BARNES vs. TOWN,

FOR DAMAGES SUSTAINED ON FOREST STREET.

Appropriation authorized, . . . \$4,700 00

Expended as follows :

Paid Geo. R. Barnes, judgment and costs,	. \$3,900 20
Chas. R. Train, fee and services,	. 300 00
C. P. Judd, services and expenses,	. 152 75
Henry G. Clark, M. D., Medical Expert,	. 150 00
Azel Ames, Jr., M. D., " "	. 50 00
Dr. G. Kimball, " "	. 50 00
James Oliver, witness fees,	. 8 50
Joseph Tuttle, " "	. 7 00
B. F. Abbott, " "	. 7 00
J. W. Jenkins, " "	. 7 00
Richard Britton, " "	. 5 50
Amasa Farrier, surveys,	. 20 25
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	\$4,658 20
Balance unexpended,	. 41 80
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	\$4,700 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Appropriation authorized, . . . \$4,000 00

Expended as follows :

TOWN HOUSE ACCOUNT.

Paid Descalzo & Boulger, change in gas fixtures,	\$270 66
Citizens' Gas Co., for gas,	. 490 50
J. J. Mansfield, 32 37-40 tons coal at \$7.50,	247 01
H. D. Hoyt, for wood,	. 7 04
George W. Aborn, fuel for lockup,	. 9 50
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	. \$1,024 71

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,024 71
Paid Howard Watch and Clock Co., repairing tower clock,	6 52
H. L. Hall, repairing hall clock,	1 00
J. C. Fennelly, shades, &c.,	6 25
J. L. Hammett, repairing settees,	12 00
Wakefield Rattan Co., mats,	15 75
W. & J. Martin, towels,	1 50
A. J. Hutchinson, gas burners,	4 85
J. F. Alexander, sundries,	9 43
H. D. Hoyt, lumber for coal bin,	3 00
C. W. Trow, repairs,	4 00
N. W. Turner & Co., “	3 00
Staples & Teague, “	6 83
Geo. H. Teague, “	10 60
Moses Staples, “	2 00
Lewis Fairbanks, “	4 25
John Purington, “	1 75
G. N. Littlefield & Co., “	20 60
McLeod & Murphy, whitewashing lockup,	4 00
Joseph Tuttle, removing ashes,	3 00
Total,	\$1,145 04

NOTE.—Janitor's services charged to the appropriation for payment of town officers.
The income of the Town Hall will be found in Treasurer's report.

PRINTING, STATIONERY, &c.

Paid W. H. Twombly, ptg. town reports 1874-5,	\$345 70
“ “ “ by-laws,	29 76
“ “ “ and advertising,	49 25
Doane & Greenough, books and stationery,	84 08
Board of Assessors, stationery,	1 50
W. S. Greenough, postage and telegram,	4 36
Total,	\$514 65

LEGAL SERVICES.

Paid B. F. Thomas, retainer fee and services in case Boston & Maine R. R. <i>vs.</i> Town, .	\$155 00
Eaton & Hamilton, services and expenses in case Boston & Maine R. R. <i>vs.</i> Town, .	110 00
Eaton & Hamilton, services and expenses in referee case of French <i>vs.</i> Town, . . .	76 32
Eaton & Hamilton, services and expenses in case of Flanders <i>vs.</i> Town,	20 60
Eaton & Hamilton, sundry cases, . . .	10 69
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Total,	\$372 61

ODDS AND ENDS.

Paid John M. Cate, rent of armory,* . . .	\$300 00
Mrs. W. C. Bryant, bounty,	100 00
Jas. Oliver, expenses as Overseer of Poor, .	108 50
Cyrus N. White, " " " "	18 00
Connell & Kirk, land damage for gravel pit, .	100 00
E. E. Emerson, Treas., music 4th July. .	100 00
Mrs. S. W. Locke, gravel pit on Forest St., .	200 00
Major Tattersall, night-watch for Mar., '75, .	95 00
Daniel Carey, " " " "	95 00
G. F. Hartshorne, plans, surveys, &c., .	10 00
George W. Aborn, balance due on account contract for building New Salem street, .	58 02
Staples & Teague, labor street signs, .	33 45
Sundry bills of Board of Health for 1874-5, as follows, viz. :	
Chas. Linnehan, use of sprinkler, \$70 00	
G. W. Kendall, repairs do., . 17 00	
J. J. Titcomb, sundry repairs, . 15 94	
G. F. D. Skinner, sprinkling sts., 78 56	
" returning sprinkler, 6 00	
Azel Ames, Jr., postage, &c., . 8 00	
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	195 50

Amount carried forward, . . . \$ 1,413 47

* Reimbursed by the State.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$1,413 47
Paid L. F. Linnell, expressing,		4 90
George Abbott, repairing flag-staff,		4 25
A. W. Mitchell, police badges		15 00
G. W. Aborn, posts for street signs,		10 00
M. E. Goodwin, repairs on fence,		2 12
S. S. Scranton, law book,		4 50
W. G. Skinner, circulating reports,		18 00
J. F. Alexander, posting bills,		2 50
Oliver Walton, 2d, funeral expenses of child of Albert Bradbrook,		6 00
N. H. Dow, labor on drains, &c.,		18 25
Francis M. Smith, detective incendiary case,		40 65
W. N. Tyler, special police,		2 50
Daniel Carey, special police,		122 65
J. W. Smallcon, repairs town pump,		2 08
B. Peabody, pump Elm street,		16 90
J. N. Eames, repairs on pump,		2 00
James Gill, ringing bell,		10 00
Bacon & Sweetser, painting fence in old cemetery,		5 50
Oliver Walton, 2d, labor old cemetery,		8 00
B. S. Moulton & Co., framing by-laws,		3 00
Board of Health, sundry bills,		6 50
A. C. Perkins, labor music stand,		3 00
W. K. Perkins, labor liberty pole,		2 00
J. F. Emerson, town treasurer, services 1874-5,		50 00
C. R. Bliss, School Com., services 1874-5,		40 00
Henry D. Smith, " " "		25 00
Chaplin G. Tyler, " " "		25 00
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Total,		\$1,863 77

EXPLANATION.—The town officers' services, which are charged to this appropriation, properly belong to the appropriation for the payment of town officers, but that appropriation having been recommended and based upon the salaries of officers for the present year only, it was exhausted for that purpose, and the Selectmen were obliged to draw upon the miscellaneous fund for the payment of these bills, which should have been presented last year.

Recapitulation.

Town House account,	\$1,145 04
Printing, stationery, &c.,	514 65
Legal services,	372 61
Sundry other expenses,	1,863 77
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Total,	\$3,896 07
Unexpended balance,	103 93
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	\$4,000 00

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Appropriation authorized, \$4,000

This amount was apportioned by the Select-
men as follows :

Retained to pay bills of last year, contracted by			
Road Commissioners,			\$500 00
For Centre district, J. H. Perkins, Surveyor.			840 00
North	"	Daniel Batchelder, "	525 00
South	"	Geo. K. Gilman, "	570 00
East	"	A. N. Blanchard, "	400 00
West	"	Cyrus Kimball, "	795 00
Woodville	"	Joseph Tuttle, "	370 00
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			\$4,000 00

Expended as follows :

BY SELECTMEN.

Balance retained by them,	\$500 00
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Paid Richard Britton, Treasurer of Road Commissioners, balance due, as per rep't,	7 36
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B. F. Abbott, labor,	30 00
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Simeon Parker, “	4 00
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Geo. W. Aborn, “	31 90
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Thos. W. Sullivan, “	18 75
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Michael Low, blasting ledge,	13 00
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J. W. Jenkins, breaking snow,	46 25
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C. H. Derby, “ “	48 12
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Cyrus Kimball, “ “	24 00
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Adam Wiley, “ “	27 89
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D. P. Richardson, “ “	5 10
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Joseph Tuttle, “ “	28 15
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J. Morrill, “ “	41 30
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F. C. Skinner, gravel, etc.,	29 50
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Peterson & Parker, edgestones,	72 80
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Total amount old bills,	\$428 12
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Paid E. F. Sweetser, sundry repairs,	1 50
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W. K. Perkins, setting bounds, etc.,	13 25
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D. S. Fairbanks, sidewalk Water street,	3 00
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Maurice Fitzgerald, “ “	1 75
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A. C. Perkins, bridge, Valley street,	5 00
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Gowing & Sweetser, driveway, Orchard st.,	6 25
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Total expended,	\$458 87
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Balance unexpended,	41 13
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\$500 00

CENTRE DISTRICT.—J. H. PERKINS, SURVEYOR.

Amount apportioned,	\$840 00
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Cash drawn by Surveyor,	840 00
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Mr. Perkins' vouchers show that he has expended money as follows :

Paid J. H. Perkins, 75 1-2 days' labor at \$2.25,	\$169 88
“ “ for horse and cart 98 d's at 1.75,	171 50
Dexter C. Wright, with horse and cart 10 1-2 days at \$3.00,	31 50
Felton Sweetser, with horse and cart 4 days at \$3.50,	14 00
Michael Madden, 59 1-2 days at \$1.75,	104 13
Peter Crowley, 19 “ 1.75,	33 25
Timothy Reagan, 21 3-4 “ 1.75,	38 06
Simeon Parker, 4 “ 1.75,	7 00
Levi Flanders, 43 1-4 “ 1.75,	75 69
N. H. Dow, 12 “ 1.75,	20 94
William Cronan, 7 1-4 “ 1.75,	12 69
Andrew Young, 7 1-2 “ 1.75,	13 12
“ “ with horse & cart 2 “ 3.50,	7 00
E. H. Copp, 26 “ 1.75,	45 50
John Whitford, 7 “ 1.75,	12 25
Thomas Sullivan, 21 1-2 “ 1.75,	37 63
William Bachellor, 197 loads gravel at .04,	7 88
J. G. Morrill, removing snow,	3 75
J. W. Smallcon, blacksmith work,	5 00
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Total expended,	\$810 77
Leaving a balance in the hands of the Surveyor, of	\$29 23
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	\$840 00

NORTH DISTRICT.—DAVID BATCHELDER, SURVEYOR.

Amount apportioned,	\$525 00
Cash drawn by Surveyor,	525 00
Expended as follows :	
Paid David Batchelder, labor 15 1-2 ds. at \$1.75,	\$27 12
“ “ “ 3 “ 1.50,	4 50
C. P. Poland, with horse and cart 26 1-2 days at \$3.50,	92 75
C. P. Poland, with horse and cart 6 days at \$3.00,	18 00
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Amount carried forward,	\$142 37

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$142 37
Paid H. Clay, with horse and cart 10 ds. at \$3.50,				35 00
Joseph Connell, “	8	“	3.50,	28 00
Charles Gorham, “	6 1-2	“	3.50,	22 75
J. J. Mansfield, “	13	“	3.50,	45 50
Benjamin Jarvis,	11	“	1.75,	19 25
“ “	3	“	1.50,	4 50
James B. Forsyth,	11	“	1.75,	19 25
John O’Neal,	11	“	1.75,	19 25
Lawrence Smith,	10	“	1.75,	17 50
Asaph Evans,	1	“	1.25,	1 25
J. Drugan,	2	“	1.50,	3 00
Mr. Sullivan,	3	“	1.50,	4 50
Chas. Gorham,	375 loads gravel at 5 cts.,			18 75
Wm. White,	39 “ “ “ 4 “			1 56
G. N. Littlefield & Co., drain pipe,				6 80
J. F. Emerson,	“ “ . .			5 44
S. D. Hobson, plank,			1 51
Total expended,				\$396 18
Leaving balance in hands of Surveyor,				128 82
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SOUTH DISTRICT.—GEO. K. GILMAN, SURVEYOR.

Amount apportioned,	\$570 00
Cash drawn by Surveyor,	570 00
Expended as follows :						
Paid G. K. Gilman,	65	days at \$2.00,				\$130 00
E. Felton Sweetser,	38 1-4	“ 2.00,				76 50
“ “ for team 27		“ 1.75,				47 25
W. Oliver,	44 3-4	“ 2.00,				89 50
E. Gowing,	42 1-2	“ 2.00,				85 00
S. N. Green,	21 1-4	“ 1.75,				37 19
H. Batchelder,	1 1-2	“ 1.75,				2 62
H. N. Oliver,	5 1-2	“ 2.00,				11 00
“ “ team	4 1-2	“ 1.75,				7 87
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>						<hr/> \$486 93

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$486 93
Paid Edward Sweetser,	4 1-4	days at 1.75,		7 44
H Brown, with team,	8	" 3 00,		24 00
L. Williams,		" 2 12 1-2,		14 87
M. Phillips, clearing snow,	.	.	.	3 34
J. P. Barker, blacksmith work,	.	.	.	7 65
S. Ray,	"	"	.	1 00
R. Seaver, labor on snow-plough,	.	.	.	7 83
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Credit by proceeds of sale of stone,				10 00
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Total expended,	.	.	.	\$543 06
Balance now in the hands of Surveyor,	.			26 94
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				\$570 00

EAST DISTRICT.—ABNER N. BLANCHARD, SURVEYOR.

Amount apportioned,	\$400 00
Cash drawn by Surveyor,	350 00
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Balance undrawn,	.	.	.		\$50 00

Expended as follows :

Paid A. N. Blanchard,	43	days at \$2.00,	\$86 00
" " for team	32	" 1.75,	56 00
D. S. Fairbanks, with team,	23	" 3.50,	80 50
W. Tucker,	20	" 1.75,	35 00
J. Butler,	12 1-4	" 1.62 1-2,	19 90
" "	15 1-2	" 1.75,	27 12
Issachar Stowell,	5 3-4	" 1.50,	8 62
C. Gorham,	6	" 2.00,	12 00
J. B. Forsyth,	2 1-2	" 1.75,	4 37
Benjamin Jarvis,	3	" 1.75,	5 25
S. Mayo,	2	" 1.50,	3 00
P. Downing, 48 loads gravel at 3 cents,	.		1 44
D. Claves, 146 loads gravel at 4 cents,	.		5 84
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Amount carried forward, . . . \$345 04

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$345 04
Paid J. Walton, blacksmith work,	.	.	.	2 23
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Total expended,	.	.	.	\$347 27
Balance in hands of Surveyor,	.	.	.	2 73
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				\$350 00

WEST DISTRICT.—CYRUS KIMBALL, SURVEYOR.

Amount apportioned,	\$795 00
Cash drawn by Surveyor,	735 00
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Balance undrawn,	\$60 00

Expended as follows :

Paid C. Kimball,	31	days work at \$2.25,	69 75
“	12 1-2	“ 2.00,	25 00
“	3	“ 1.50,	4 50
“ horse and cart	42 1-2 dys.	at 1.75,	74 37
“	2	“ 1.50,	3 00
W. Sweeney,	7	days work at 1.75,	12 25
R. Barrett,	37 1-2	“ 1.75,	65 61
D. Douglass,	26 3-4	“ 1.75,	46 81
P. Reardon,	22 3-4	“ 1.75,	39 81
A. Corbett,	25 3-4	“ 1.75,	45 06
M. O'Connell,	25 1-4	“ 1.75,	44 18
Simeon Parker,	19	“ 1.75,	33 25
F. McCormick,	2	“ 1.75,	3 50
“	5	“ 2.00,	10 00
P. Hennessey	2	“ 1.75,	3 50
J. McLeod,	2	“ 1.50,	3 00
P. O'Connor,	10 3-4	“ 1.75,	18 81
“	6	“ 2.50,	15 00
W. Grant,	12 1-2	“ 1.50,	18 75
Hero W. Nichols and horse,	20 3-4 days		
at \$3.50,			72 63
P. J. Reagan,	15 1-4	days work at 1.75,	26 69
D. Hagerty,	5	“ 1.75,	8 75
B. Smith,	5 1-2	“ 1.75,	9 62
Amount carried forward,			\$653 84

<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . .			\$653 84
Paid T. Flynn,	1	days labor at 1.75,	1 75
M. O'Connor,	5 1-2	" 1.75,	9 62
M. Keady,	4	" 1.75,	7 00
J. Welsh,	14	" 1.75,	24 50
J. Colter,	9 1-2	" 1.75,	16 62
P. Connell,	8	" 1.75,	14 00
J. Keniston,	1	" 1.75,	1 75
C. Kimball, breaking out snow and repairs,			7 50
J. McKay, 45 loads gravel at .05,			2 25
G. W. Aborn, drain pipe,			18 54
C. Kimball, steel, 5 lbs. at 20c.,			1 00
G. N. Littlefield & Co., tools, etc.,			4 80
P. Fehen, blacksmith work,			5 93
J. N. Eames, " "			2 20
E. Mansfield & Sons, powder,			80
J. S. Trowbridge & Co., powder and fuse,			3 10
P. O'Connor, use of drill,			1 12
E. B. Burgess, 10 loads gravel at 5c.,			50
Mrs. Slack, stone,			1 50
A. Wiley, use of drag 5 days,			1 25
Peterson & Parker, covering stone,			3 00

Total expended,	\$782 57
There is therefore a balance due Cyrus Kimball; Surveyor, of	\$47 57
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	\$735 00

WOODVILLE DISTRICT.—JOSEPH TUTTLE, SURVEYOR.

Amount apportioned,	\$370 00
Cash drawn by Surveyor,	331 46

Balance undrawn,	\$38 54
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Expended as follows:

Paid Joseph Tuttle, 33 1-4 days labor at \$1.75,	58 17
" horse and cart 32 1-4 days at 1.75,	56 43

<i>Amount carried forward,</i> . . .	\$114 60
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<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . .				\$114 60
Paid James Lang,	37 1-4 days labor at 1.75,			65 17
Charles Oliver,	33 1-4 " 1.75,			58 17
Jerry Cronan,	12 1-4 " 2.00,			24 50
"	11 3-4 " 1.75,			20 56
John Doyle,	11 3-4 " 1.75,			20 56
James Eager,	14 3-4 " 1.00,			14 75
John Reardon,	1 " 1.75,			1 75
285 loads gravel at 4c.,	. . . .			11 40
Total expended, . . .				<hr/> \$331 46

Mr. Tuttle reports that the above has been expended by streets as follows :

Nahant street,	\$156 08
Water "	164 63
Franklin "	10 75
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BUILDING ORCHARD STREET.

Special appropriation,	\$200 00
Expended as follows :		
Paid G. F. Hartshorne, surveys, plans, etc.,	. . . .	9 50
Joshua White, as per contract,	. . . .	190 00
Total,		<hr/> \$199 50
Balance unexpended,	. . . .	50
		<hr/> \$200 00

BUILDING COTTAGE STREET.

Special appropriation,	\$500 00
Expend as follows :	
Paid G. F. Hartshorne, surveys, plans, etc.,	20 00
Patrick Kenney, on account contract,	230 00
W. S. Greenough, Chairman Board of Se- lectmen, and held by him to meet the provisions of the contract,	250 00
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	\$500 00

BUILDING SUMMER STREET.

Special appropriation,	\$400 00
Expend as follows :	
Paid G. F. Hartshorne, surveys, plans, etc.,	20 50
W. S. Greenough, Chairman Board of Se- lectmen, and held by him to meet the provisions of the contract,	379 50
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	\$400 00

RAILING FOR HIGHWAYS.

Special appropriation,	\$500 00
Expend under the direction of Wm. K. Perkins, as follows :	
Paid S. D. Hobson, for lumber,	\$221 37
S. Faulkner & Son, stone and labor,	53 80
Wm. Sweeney, labor,	11 37
Mike Foley, "	4 38
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$290 92

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$290 92
Paid John Doyle, labor,	.	.	.	7 00
Mike Valters,	"	.	.	3 50
A. Stubbs,	"	.	.	24 94
Mike Connor,	"	.	.	3 50
B. F. Abbott,	"	.	.	2 00
James Killorin,	"	.	.	2 00
J. O'Neal,	"	.	.	2 00
G. A. Daland,	"	.	.	8 85
B. Randall,	"	.	.	16 12
J. W. Smalleon, for iron,	.	.	.	33 75
G. N. Littlefield & Co., for iron,	.	.	.	12 59
Lead, oil and sundries,	.	.	.	17 04
Use of horse,	.	.	.	3 00
15 days labor at \$3.00,	.	.	.	45 00
Railing R. R. Bridge at Greenwood,	.	.	.	17 64
W. K. Perkins for lumber,	.	.	.	1 44
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Total expended,	.	.	.	\$491 29
Balance unexpended,	.	.	.	8 71
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				\$500 00

The foregoing accounts comprise those which have come under the immediate supervision of the Auditors during the year, having been taken from the Auditors' books, and put into a condensed form. The accounts which follow are furnished by the various Town Officers after having been properly vouched for their correctness by the Auditors.

The total amount of orders drawn by the Selectmen is \$42,073.72, being an excess of \$136.86 over the amount of appropriations, caused by the overdrawal in the Poor Department. The net unexpended balances in the other departments amount to \$513.14.

T. J. SKINNER,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
FREEMAN EMMONS,	
E. E. EMERSON,	

REPORT

OF THE

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR,

For the Year ending April 1st, 1876.

EXPENSES AT THE ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Joseph Tuttle, Keeper, salary in full,	\$350 00
For grain, meal and flour,	662 57
groceries,	552 79
meat and fish,	513 31
dry goods and clothing,	208 76
coal,	192 10
glass, crockery and hardware,	17 23
labor,	189 50
boots and shoes,	90 95
physician's services and medicines,	41 74
household furniture,	82 46
wheelwright and blacksmith's work,	62 10
repairs on buildings,	98 48
building vaults,	80 00
farming tools,	18 16
harness, and repairing same,	27 06
field and garden seeds,	9 13
school books and stationery,	16 43
stock,	46 00
ice,	17 00
record book for vagrants,	9 75
standing grass and straw,	44 44
sundries,	48 96

Total expenses at the almshouse, . \$3,378 92

RECEIPTS.

Received for labor,	\$296 11
“ “ produce,	149 13
“ “ board,	81 71
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Total receipts,	\$526 95
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Net expense at almshouse,	\$2,851 97

EXPENSES AWAY FROM THE ALMSHOUSE.

Paid board and care of Nelson Sweetser, Hospital,	\$205 05
“ “ Mary E. Osborne,	192 86
“ “ Wm. C. Bryant,	131 57
City of Boston for Teresa Blakely,	48 24
“ “ Wm. Hanglin,	6 00
“ Fitchburg for Elijah Edson,	149 05
“ Lawrence for Michael J. Welch,	1 25
Supplies to Albert H. Danforth,	2 75
“ Mrs. Thompson,	11 65
Board and care of Jane Foster,	14 50
Funeral expenses of Betsy Wilder,	7 00
“ “ Marcellus Edmunds,	27 00
Allowance to Mary Phipps,	78 00
Physician's bill for James Kelly,	6 50
“ “ Mrs. Hobbs,	10 00
“ “ J. A. Foster,	7 00
“ “ and supplies to H. W. Fowler,	19 75
Supplies to Lawrence Denehey,	22 55
“ “ T. McLaudiff,	9 75
“ “ Chas. Sweetser,	3 50
“ “ Geo. M. Ardell,	19 75
“ “ John S. Mann,	18 00
“ “ Mrs. Hollander,	11 50
“ “ J. J. Cummings,	5 50
“ “ Martin Donahoe,	12 40
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Amount carried forward,	\$1,021 12

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,021 12
Supplies to Wm. Flynn,	11 63
“ “ John Skully,	14 00
“ “ Mary Reagan,	6 40
“ “ Samuel Mayo,	62 50
“ “ Susannah Ellis,	52 00
“ “ James Mooney,	12 50
Board of daughter and supplies to Barnard Derby,	66 75
Wm. Newhall, board of child,	104 00
Mary Deering, board of child,	78 00
Rent and supplies to Mrs. A. L. Stowell,	51 50
Supplies to Mrs. Geo. K. Walton,	12 22
Supplies to Wm. O'Neil,	15 25
Mrs. Rebecca F. Foster, board of child,	48 00
Sarah Nichols of Burlington,	73 00
Ellen Duffin, of Boston,	78 00
Town of North Reading for John Chandler,	77 16
Expenses in the case of Ann Mulloy,	43 08
Expenses in the case of Fred Marden, (State pauper,)	4 43
Supplies to Mrs. Bransfield,	6 00
“ E. W. Wood,	26 50
“ Dan'l Shanahan,	8 50
“ John Haggerty,	16 05
“ Mrs. R. A. Sloan,	288 56
“ Mrs. Ellen Kelly,	3 40
“ W. J. McKinley,	5 50
“ Frank Pendle,	11 50
“ T. Mulligan,	14 90
Funeral expenses of Patrick Tully,	4 00
Supplies to Richard Donahoe,	4 50
Relief to John McCarty,	4 00
Expense of G. W. Blaisdell at Westboro,	3 14
Supplies to tramps,	53
Removing Kelley family to N. H.,	14 40

Total expenses away from the Almshouse, \$2,243 02

RECEIPTS.

Received, City of Salem for Wm. H. Batchelder,	\$13 00
Town of Stoneham for Mrs. Hobbs, .	10 00
“ Saugus for Charles Sweetser,	3 50
“ Peabody for J. S. Mann,	
1874-5,	23 25
“ Orleans, Mrs. Sloan, 1874-5,	249 81
of Geo. K. Walton for wife, 1874-5,	14 07
Estate of Ann Mulloy,	43 08
State for Jane Foster,	6 00
“ H. W. Fowler,	7 71
“ Removing Kelly family, .	14 40
Town of Concord for John Chandler,	38 58
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Total receipts,	\$423 40
Net expense away from the Almshouse, . . .	\$1,819 62

Recapitulation.

The Overseers have received from		
former Board,	\$90 26	
Town,	4,650 00	
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Net expense at the Almshouse, .	\$2,851 97	
away from Almshouse, .	1,819 62	
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Balance in Overseer's hands, .		\$68 67
Largest number of inmates,	29	
Average “ “	21 1-2	
Present “ “	16	
Average expense per week,	\$2 55	
Travelling paupers relieved,	490	

INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AT THE ALMSHOUSE.

Stock,	\$1,025 00
Hay and grain,	350 00
Carriages, harnesses and tools,	975 00
Provisions,	325 00
Household furniture,	780 00
Miscellaneous,	325 00
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Total,	\$3,780 00

INMATES OF THE ALMSHOUSE.

Mr. Dan Rankin,	74 years of age.
Warren Burditt,	66 " "
James Lang,	42 " "
James Eager,	15 " "
Thomas G. Tuttle,	24 " "
John H. Slocomb,	10 " "
Geo. A. Burditt,	6 " "
Mrs. Keziah Burditt,	64 " "
Sarah Emerson,	84 " "
Rosella Slocomb,	33 " "
Susan Burditt,	24 " "
Miss Etta W. Slocomb,	14 " "
Eulalia Slocomb,	12 " "
Margaret Eager,	13 " "
Juliette Eager,	11 " "
Cora Slocomb,	8 " "

There is due from the town of Orleans for Mrs. Rufus A. Sloan, \$60.00.

The increasing number of travelling vagrants has required the fitting up of an additional room in one of the outbuildings, at a cost of about thirty dollars, which has been charged to the account of repairs on buildings, whilst as a sanitary measure, brick vaults at a cost of eighty dollars have been constructed. The health of the inmates has been generally good, but one death having occurred during the year, that

of a nameless waif whose home for a few days was at the Almshouse. The number of tramps has increased from four hundred and twenty-nine in 1874-5, to four hundred and ninety in 1875-6; and the actual cost for lodgings and meals for these vagrants cannot be less than two hundred dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES OLIVER,	} <i>Overseers of Poor</i>
DANIEL G. WALTON,	
CYRUS N. WHITE,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Wakefield.</i>

COLLECTOR'S STATEMENTS.

Taxes of 1872.

C. W. EATON, - *Collector.*

Uncollected balance, as per report last year,	.	\$433 38
Paid Town Treasurer,	.	\$96 25
Abated by Assessors,	. .	337 13
		<hr/> \$433 38

Taxes of 1873.

OTIS V. WATERMAN, - *Collector..*

Total amount assessed, as per report last year,	\$80,685 75
Less errors corrected by Auditors,	. . . 333 03
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Correct amount assessed as per Collector's books,	\$80,352 72
Received as interest,	. . . 1,276 79
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	\$81,629 51
 Paid Town Treasurer,	. \$77,347 81
Abated by Assessors,	. . 2,104 18
Discounts allowed,	. . 2,066 22
Amount uncollected,	. . 111 30
	<hr/> \$81,629 51

Taxes of 1874.

OTIS V. WATERMAN, - *Collector.*

Total amount assessed,	\$79,247 83
Received as interest,	809 67
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					\$80,057 50
Paid Town Treasurer,	.			\$72,039 61	
Abated by Assessors,	.	.		765 99	
Discounts allowed,	.	.		2,360 95	
Amount uncollected,	.	.		4,890 95	
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					\$80,057 50

Taxes of 1875.

OTIS V. WATERMAN, - *Collector.*

Total amount assessed,	\$59,076 58
Received as interest,	23 30
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					\$59,099 88
Paid Town Treasurer,	.			\$40,845 34	
Abated by Assessors,	.	.		646 55	
Discounts allowed,	.	.		1,834 79	
Amount uncollected,	.	.		15,773 20	
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					\$59,099 88

TREASURER'S REPORT.

JAS. F. EMERSON, Treas. *in acct. with* TOWN OF WAKEFIELD.

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To cash balance in Treasury,	\$10,689 45
hired on town notes,	10,000 00
interest received on loans,	171 11
release of tax deeds,	442 95
income of Town Hall,	415 00
rec'd of O. V. Waterman, col. 1873-4-5, 59,577 78	
rec'd of C. W. Eaton, " 1872,	96 25
Francis Williams, auction'r license 1875,	2 00
from sale of Common grass,	5 00
rec'd from J. D. Mansfield, for druggist license,	50 00
rec'd of County Treas. for rent of Court room,	250 00
rec'd of First District Court lockup fees,	82 91
rec'd of C. Wakefield Estate, acc't Road Commissioners,	27 60
rec'd on school contingent proceeds of concert for music books,	53 82
State Corporation Tax,	7,395 79
" aid,	1,689 50
" National Bank Tax,	1,026 30
W. G. Skinner, auctioneer license 1876,	2 00
State school fund,	298 90
" armory rents,	308 00
sale of soil and old iron,	2 00
from County Treasurer, dog tax,	453 90
" sale of Town History,	21 95
Total,	\$93,062 21

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By cash paid Selectmen's orders,	.	.	.	\$41,694	24
“ principal on loans,	.	.	.	10,000	00
“ interest “	.	.	.	9,084	96
“ for release deeds,	.	.	.	11	00
“ lockup keeper (Court fees),	.	.	.	82	91
“ State Treas. 1-4 liquor license rec'ts,	.	.	.	12	50
“ State aid,	.	.	.	1,890	50
“ “ tax,	.	.	.	4,580	00
“ “ Bank tax,	.	.	.	952	42
“ County tax,	.	.	.	2,938	20
“ Saugus tax,	.	.	.	4	75
“ for deeds of real estate sold to the town in payment of taxes,	.	.	.	303	21
“ for recording at Registry of Deeds,	.	.	.	6	80
“ Treas. Public Library, Flint memo- rial fund interest,	.	.	.	70	00
balance in Treasury,	.	.	.	21,430	72
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					\$93,062 21

LOAN ACCOUNT.

Amount as per audit, March 5, 1875,	.	.	\$141,600	00
since hired by Treasurer,	.	.	10,000	00
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			\$151,600	00
Amount paid since March 5, 1875,	.	.	10,000	00
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Total loans,	.	.	.	\$141,600 00
Loans are now held, March 5, 1876, as follows :				
Capt. Henry Bancroft, due May				
4, 1876,	.	.	.	\$10,000 00
Bonds to bearer, \$1,000 each,				
due June 1, 1876,	.	.	10,000	00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>			\$20,000	00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$20,000 00	
Capt. Henry Bancroft, due Jan.		
10, 1877,	15,000 00	
Home Savings Bank, due Oct.		
18, 1877,	20,000 00	
Hon. Otis Norcross, due April		
27, 1878,	8,000 00	
State Treasurer, due May 1,		
1879,	10,000 00	
State Treasurer, due May 20,		
1881,	19,600 00	
Bonds to bearer, \$1,000 each,		
due June 1, 1881,	19,000 00	
Bonds to bearer, \$1,000 each,		
due May 1, 1882,	30,000 00	
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Total,		\$141,600 00

TOWN DEBT.

Amount of Notes and Bonds bear-		
ing interest March 5, 1876,	\$141,600 00	
Add interest due on Notes and		
Bonds to Mar. 5, 1876, . . .	2,554 17	
Due to individuals on account of		
State aid,	90 50	
Outstanding town orders, . . .	379 48	
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		\$144,624 15
From which deduct:		
Cash in Treasurer's hands, . . .	\$21,430 72	
Due from State on account of State		
aid, as per return Dec. 31, '75,	1,872 00	
Tax deeds held by Treasurer, . .	510 14	
Due on Tax List, 1873,	111 30	
“ “ 1874,	4,890 95	
“ “ 1875,	15,773 20	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$44,588 31	

Amount brought forward,	\$44,588 31	
Due from J. M. Cate, account of armory rent,	92 00	
	<hr/>	\$44,680 31
Net total debt,		\$99,943 84
Total debt as per report last year,		106,754 54
Total debt as per report this year,		99,943 84
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Decrease since 1875,		\$6,810 70

STATE AID.

Amount allowed various individuals for -

year ending March 1, 1876,	\$1,871 00	
Balance due from Treas., March 1, 1875,	110 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,981 00
The Treas. has paid of the above am't,	\$1,890 50	
Due from Treas. to March 1, 1876,	90 50	
	<hr/>	\$1,981 00

The amounts which have been paid each person appear in the following statement :

Elizabeth R. Anderson,	\$78 00	Sarah S. Mason,	\$56 00
Mary V. Brown,	52 00	Mary McGuire,	52 00
Wm. C. Bryant,	72 00	Elizabeth Moses,	44 00
Amelia A. Carter,	48 00	Johanna Orpin,	48 00
Eliza N. Clifford,	52 00	B. A. Osgood, guardian,	12 00
A. M. Chandler,	32 00	Esther S. Parker,	44 00
Thos. W. Coombs,	96 00	Lucy Poland,	88 00
Ada E. Cowdrey,	52 00	Edwin W. Reed,	21 00
E. T. Cooper, guardian,	4 00	John P. Ross,	24 00
Mary A. Curtis,	96 00	Lydia Sweetser,	52 00
John Davis,	92 00	Sarah Sweetser,	48 00
Victor Eaton,	50 00	Geo. W. Townsend,	140 00
Rodney Edmands,	48 00	Mary S. Wheeler,	48 00
O. N. Gammons,	26 00	Geo. H. Wiley,	78 00
John L. Holden,	3 00	John Whitford,	84 00
Sarah C. Hudson,	54 00	Geo. N. Whiting,	69 00
Harriet E. Jones,	6 00	Hiram Woodis,	54 00
Geo. H. Jackson,	19 50		
Lucinda Locke,	48 00		
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			\$1,890 50

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The Board of Selectmen would respectfully present to the town the following report upon the various matters that have been referred to them by vote of the town; also a condensed summary of the more important matters of public interest upon which they have taken action during the year.

TOWN HISTORY.

At the last annual town meeting, various propositions for reducing the price of copies of the Town History were made and rejected, therefore the Board have supplied such demand as there has been for the book at the original prices fixed by vote of the town. But six copies have been sold during the year, leaving seven hundred and fifty-three copies on hand. We have no special recommendations to offer in regard to the disposition of this property, but trust that the town will take wise action thereon.

CHESTNUT STREET CROSSING.

In compliance with instructions from the town, able counsel were employed to defend the suit brought by the Boston & Maine Railroad Company to recover from the town the expense of erecting and maintaining the gate at the above named crossing, and for salary of Gate Keeper. The case had been fully prepared for trial by the counsel for the town, who were confident of a decision in their favor, but the day previous to the time appointed for a hearing before the January term of the Superior Court for Suffolk County the Boston & Maine Railroad withdrew their suit. Thus endeth this lesson. It has been a somewhat expensive one to the town, but we trust not without profit to all parties interested.

LIGHTING TOWN HALL.

We were authorized, by vote of the town, to make such alterations in the manner of lighting the Town Hall as seemed for the interest of the town, with a view to effecting a saving in the expense for gas.

In October last the alteration was made by removing the four circles, containing fifty-one burners each, and putting in one centre fixture with fifty-two burners and a reflector, and eight new burners in the galleries, giving one hundred and forty-four less burners than before. During the five months that have elapsed since the change was made, the expense for gas has been \$138.60 less than for the same months of the previous year, the Hall having been lighted nearly as many hours. The whole cost of the alterations was \$270.66.

GRAVEL PIT NEW SALEM STREET.

The claim of Joseph Connell for additional compensation for land taken by the town for a Gravel Pit on New Salem street, was "referred to the Selectmen with discretionary powers," by vote of the town. On the 7th of July, 1875, a hearing was given to the parties interested, and after due consideration the Selectmen voted to allow Messrs. Connell and Kirk, the owners of the land, \$37.50 additional compensation; this award was accepted, and a receipt in full for all claims against the town on account of the above named Gravel Pit was given.

CLAIM OF ELLEN REGAN.

This claim being for compensation for land taken by the town to widen Highland Street, was also "referred to the Selectmen with discretionary powers." A hearing was given July 7th, and the Board subsequently voted not to allow the claim.

CLAIM OF JOHN B. ATWELL.

Article 31 of the warrant for the last annual meeting, "to see if the town will refund to John B. Atwell a portion of the taxes paid by him upon his estate on Prospect street,"

was "referred to the Selectmen with discretionary power." The subject matter of this article has been carefully considered by the Board, and we would respectfully report, that, in our opinion, the assessment made upon the estate of John B. Atwell on Prospect street was just and fair, and that the town ought not to refund any portion of the taxes paid by the said Atwell upon said estate.

R. L. G. ARMORY.

It will be seen by reference to the Town Reports for 1874-5 that the Selectmen paid to Capt. J. M. Cate for rent of Armory for 1874, one hundred dollars more than was returned by the State. This payment (of \$400) was made upon the supposition that the State would allow that amount. When it was discovered, at the beginning of the present municipal year, that the State had returned to the Town Treasurer but \$300, it was mutually agreed between the Selectmen and Capt. Cate that the amount overpaid for 1874 should be deducted from the amount due for rent for 1875, and the Board feeling confident, from representations made to them, that the State would allow \$400 for the year 1875, paid to Capt. Cate \$300, in the expectation that the previous overpayment would thus be balanced. But as the State have finally decided to pay but \$308, there now remains a balance of \$92, in which sum Capt. Cate is indebted in the town.

TAX COLLECTOR.

Mr. Abel F. Hutchinson was chosen to the office of Tax Collector, at the last annual town meeting, but failed to furnish a Bond for the faithful discharge of the duties of the office as required to do by the provisions of sec. 72, chap. 18 of the General Statutes; therefore the Board of Selectmen, on the 23d of August last, appointed Mr. Otis V. Waterman Collector *pro tempore*. Mr. Waterman furnished a satisfactory Bond and entered upon the discharge of his duties at once, his compensation being fixed at one per centum of the gross amount of the taxes collected by him.

LIQUOR LICENSES.

On the first of May, 1875, the License Law, so called, went into effect, and numerous applications were made to the Board for licenses to sell spirituous liquors under the provisions of the law, but for reasons which have seemed to the Board good and sufficient all such applications have been refused, with the exception of that of Dr. J. D. Mansfield, who applied for a license of the *fourth class*, to sell spirituous liquors for medicinal and mechanical purposes, which was granted. For this license the minimum fee of \$50 was paid to the Town Treasurer.

CLAIM OF JAMES FRENCH.

Acting under instructions from the town, the Selectmen came to a mutual agreement with Mr. French that his claim for reimbursement for moneys paid for certain tax titles, and for certain expenses connected therewith, amounting to about \$500, should be submitted to George Wm. Phillips, Esq., as Referee. Hearings were had, both parties being represented by counsel, and the decision of the Referee was that the town should pay to Mr. French the sum of \$185. This award is now pending in the Superior Court for Suffolk County on objections by counsel for the town.

WATER STREET BRIDGE.

At a town meeting held November 2d, 1875, the Board of Selectmen were instructed to repair the above named bridge and put it in a safe condition. The Board have not yet acted upon their instructions for the reason that we find the bridge to be in a safe condition and not needing repairs. In our opinion, the trouble, which the person who caused the article under which the above mentioned action was taken to be placed in the warrant, wishes to remedy, is wholly caused by obstructions in a part of the water-course situated on private land, and over which we have no control.

CLAIM OF DAVID FLANDERS.

This claim, which has caused some trouble and expense, originated from the refusal of the Board of Engineers to approve a bill of Mr. Flanders for services as steward of the Yale Engine Company, amounting to \$32. The Board of Selectmen having been notified by E. A. Upton, Esq., Attorney for Flanders, that unless the bill was paid a suit would be brought against the town to recover the amount, took the matter into consideration at the regular meeting, November 18th, 1875. The Board of Engineers then stated their reasons for refusing to approve the bill, chief among which was the reason that, in their opinion, Flanders had charged for labor which had not been performed. In compliance with the unanimous decision of the Board of Selectmen an offer of settlement was then made through Mr. Upton, upon the following terms, viz.: To pay David Flanders twenty-five dollars in full satisfaction of his bill; or, should he refuse this sum, to refer the matter in dispute to any three disinterested persons; Flanders to choose one, the town to choose one, and these two to choose a third, the decision of the three to be final. This proposition was not accepted, and suit was brought in the Municipal Court for this District. The Selectmen deeming it to be for the interest of the town that the suit should be properly defended, and as there was not sufficient time in which to call a town meeting, employed Messrs. Eaton & Hamilton as counsel for the town. Before a decision was given by the Court, the counsel for the plaintiff withdrew the suit. The action has again been brought in the same Court; and, as we understand, is to be tried before a jury; but as the time set for trial is subsequent to the time for holding the annual town meeting the matter will be brought before the town for their action.

FIRE ENGINEERS.

During the progress of the before mentioned trial it was discovered that the Board of Engineers had been illegally chosen. This fact having been brought to our notice, at a

regular meeting of the Board held January 27th, Messrs. John W. Jenkins, Andrew J. Hutchinson and John H. Emerson were *appointed* Engineers of the Fire Department, to serve until May 1st, 1876, or until their successors are appointed.

NEW SALEM STREET.

The County Commissioners, together with the Selectmen, having viewed New Salem Street on the 23d of June, 1875, and said County Commissioners having then and there accepted said street, the Selectmen, at a regular meeting held June 24th, 1875, voted to accept the street from the contractor, Mr. G. W. Aborn, and to relieve him from further liability under his contract. The final payment to Mr. Aborn of \$999.00 was made as follows: \$940.98 being the unexpended balance of the original appropriation of \$5,000—turned over to the chairman of the Board of Selectmen by Richard Britton, Esq., Treasurer of the Board of Road Commissioners—paid June 24th, 1875, and the balance due, \$58.02, drawn from the miscellaneous appropriation and paid July 1st, 1875. In compliance with a vote of the town, passed at a meeting held November 2d, 1875, the street was “closed for repairs,” and so remains to the present time. In our opinion the best interests of the town demand that some action should be taken for opening the street to public travel and making it safe therefor.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

In consequence of the office of Road Commissioners having been abolished by vote of the town at the last annual meeting, many of the duties that previously devolved upon that Board, have been discharged by the Selectmen. At a special meeting of the Board, held May 1st, 1875, the amount raised and appropriated for repairs of highways and bridges (\$4,000) was apportioned as follow, viz. :

Centre District,	\$840 00	(9 miles of streets.)
North "	525 00	(5 " ")
East "	400 00	(5 " ")
West "	795 00	(8 " ")
South "	570 00	(5 " ")
Woodville "	370 00	(4 " ")
Reserved to pay highway bills of last year,	500 00	

Total, \$4,000 00

On the same day a written notification was forwarded to each of the Highway Surveyors, giving the amount apportioned to his District, calling attention to the laws governing the expenditure of the same, and recommending that ten per centum of the amount be reserved to defray the expense of removing snow; a list of the streets assigned to each district was also given to the Surveyor, and blank Monthly Pay Rolls upon which a detailed account of all expenditures made, with vouchers therefor, could be kept, and the same having been duly sworn to before a Justice of the Peace, presented to the Selectmen for payment at the first regular meeting in each month. This system of accounts has been adhered to by the Surveyors, and has we think been satisfactory to all parties.

SUMMER STREET.

Acting upon a proper petition of citizens of the town, a duly notified public hearing having been given, the Selectmen reported to the town at a meeting held November 2d, 1875, in favor of laying out the new town way now known as Summer street. This report was accepted and adopted, \$400 being appropriated to build said street. The contract for building the street was awarded to Messrs. E. F. Sweetser and Ezra Gowing, they being the lowest bidders at \$297. This contract is not yet fulfilled.

ORCHARD STREET.

The report of the Selectmen for laying out the new town way now known as Orchard street having been made and

acted upon at the same time and in the same manner as in the previously mentioned case, and \$200 having been appropriated to build said street, the contract was awarded to Joshua White, he being the lowest bidder, at \$190. This street has been built in a satisfactory manner and accepted from the contractor.

COTTAGE STREET.

This street was laid out at the same time and in the same manner as the two previously mentioned, and \$500 appropriated to build it. Patrick Kenney, being the lowest bidder, was awarded the contract for building the street at \$349. The street is now in process of construction.

OTIS STREET EXTENSION.

The Selectmen also gave a duly notified public hearing on Sept. 25th, 1875, to the petitioners for laying out a new town way over the private way now known as Otis Street Extension, and after due consideration, decided not to report in favor of laying out the street as petitioned for.

GREENWOOD STREET.

On Sept. 25th, 1875, the Selectmen gave a duly notified hearing to the petitioners for widening and straightening Greenwood street, but, as the only plan proposed at this hearing for improving said street seemed to the Board so entirely unreasonable and uncalled for, either by the citizens of that portion of the town (with one or two exceptions) or the public in general, and as *any* widening and straightening of the street would necessitate a large expenditure of money, the Board voted unanimously not to report the proposed alterations to the town.

Article 8th, of the warrant for a town meeting held Nov. 2d, 1875, which was referred to the Selectmen with instructions to report at a future meeting, was as follows viz. :
 "To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to widen and straighten Greenwood street, giving them authority to employ

a Civil Engineer for that purpose, or what action they will take in the matter."

In accordance with the vote of the town, the whole matter was again considered by the Selectmen, and we would respectfully offer the following

REPORT :

In our opinion the proposed widening and straightening of Greenwood street ought not to be made.

RAILING DANGEROUS PORTIONS OF THE HIGHWAY.

At the last annual town meeting \$500 was appropriated for railing streets. This has been expended by the Board in railing such portions of the highways as in their judgment were most dangerous. For a detailed account of the expenditures in the various matters reported upon, reference should be made to the auditor's report.

WM. S. GREENOUGH,	} <i>Selectmen</i> <i>of</i> <i>Wakefield.</i>
WM. K. PERKINS,	
R. L. MURKLAND,	

Wakefield, March 4, 1876.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

The following was the town valuation May 1, 1875 :

Real Estate, . . .	\$3,200,030
Personal Estate, . . .	677,640

Total valuation, . . .	\$3,877,670
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Whole number of Polls, . . .	1,392
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Total tax on Polls at \$2.55 each, . . .	\$3,549 60
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Rate of Taxation, \$1.40 on \$100.

Total amount assessed, . . .	\$58,851 40
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State Tax, . . .	\$4,580 00
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County Tax, . . .	2,938 20
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Town Grant, . . .	49,100 00
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Overlay, . . .	2,233 20
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	\$58,851 40
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Whole number of Dwelling Houses taxed, . . .	1,006
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“ “ “ Horses “ . . .	264
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“ “ “ Cows “ . . .	205
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Amount of Real Estate held by religious societies, and exempted by law from taxation, \$144,500

Respectfully Submitted,

EDWARD MANSFIELD, DAVID PERKINS, ROBERT L. MURKLAND,	}	<i>Assessors of Wakefield.</i>
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Wakefield, March 3, 1876.

ENGINEERS' REPORT.

We herewith submit our Report of the Fire Department for the year ending March 2d, 1876.

FORCE AND CONDITION OF THE DEPARTMENT AND APPARATUS.

The Department consists of a Board of three Engineers and 132 Members divided as follows: One Hand Engine Company, Yale No. 1, 50 Men; one Hand Engine Company, C. Wakefield No. 2, 45 men; one Hook & Ladder Company, Washington No. 1, 25 men; one Chemical Engine Company, Chemical No. 1, 12 men; and one four-wheeled Hose Carriage. All the apparatus is in good condition at the present time. We have added to the Department, the past year, two hundred feet of two-inch linen hose, which we think is much superior to the two and a half inch hose.

There is at the present time belonging to the Department, 2500 feet of leather hose in good condition, and 250 feet of linen hose, which is not safe for hard service, except the two-inch linen hose purchased the past year.

FIRES AND ALARMS.

The losses during the past year have not been as heavy as the previous year. The Department were called out to thirteen alarms, five of which were working fires. The total amount paid by insurance companies was \$2,530. Following is the list of fires and alarms for the year ending March 2, 1876: —

- July 2. House on Melvin Street, owned by the John Caby estate. Loss \$780. Insured for \$1,900.
- July 24. House on Hart Street owned by Dr. Jordan. Loss \$75. Insured \$2,000.
- Sept. 3. Alarm caused by burning brush near Ice Houses.
- Sept. 27. Alarm from Reading.
- Dec. 3. Alarm from Stoneham.
- Jan. 18, 1876. Alarm from Stoneham.
- Jan. 21. Alarm from Woodville, caused by burning brush.
- Jan. 29. House corner Valley and Cottage Streets, owned by Wm. Ellett. Loss \$525. Insured \$950.
- Jan. 29. Woodshed on Nahant Street, owned by Samuel Buckley. Loss \$150. No insurance.
- Feb. 2. Alarm from Broadway. Damage slight.
- Feb. 3. House on Herbert Street, owned by Thomas Manning. Total loss. Insured \$900.
- Feb. 11. House on Melvin Street, owned by E. A. Upton. Loss \$100. No insurance.
- Feb. 19. False alarm.

RESERVOIRS.

Following is a list of Reservoirs and their location : Three on Main street in the centre of the town ; one on Salem street, one on Park street, one on Elm street, near the house of James Eustis, one on Lowell street, near the Montrose school house, one on corner of School and Centre streets, (new one), one on Chestnut street, one on Albion street, one on the corner of Herbert and Richardson streets, one on Melvin street, (new one), one on the corner of Main and Oak streets, Greenwood. Also two stations to place engines on, at the east side of the upper lake. Also a reservoir on Crescent street, near Main, belonging to James H. Carter, Esq., which he has given permission to use in case of fire in that vicinity.

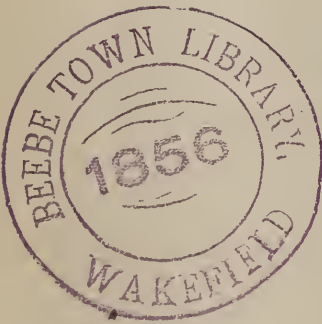
We wish to call the attention of the town to the necessity of providing in some manner for an increased water supply for fire purposes in that part of the town west of the Boston & Maine Railroad, also near the Franklin street school house.

In closing our report, we take this occasion to tender our thanks to the officers and members of the Fire Department for the prompt and faithful manner in which they have performed all duties as firemen; to the Board of Selectmen for their respect and courtesy shown the Board at all times; also to the citizens for their assistance rendered the Department the past year.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. W. JENKINS, <i>Chief,</i>	}	<i>Engineers of the Fire Department.</i>
A. J. HUTCHINSON,		
J. H. EMERSON,		

Wakefield, March 6, 1876.



POLICE REPORT.

Whole number of arrests for the year ending March 1st, 1876, was 78.

Arrested for drunkenness,	.	.	.	23
“ selling liquor,	.	.	.	15
“ assault,	.	.	.	9
“ capias,	.	.	.	3
“ larceny,	.	.	.	5
“ malicious mischief,	.	.	.	3
“ bastardy,	.	.	.	2
“ vagrants,	.	.	.	2
“ avoiding fare,	.	.	.	1
“ truancy,	.	.	.	2
“ keeping dogs without license,	.	.	.	9
“ insanity,	.	.	.	4

Thirty-nine travelling paupers have been furnished with lodgings by the police during the year.

CHARLES H. DAVIS,

Chief of Police.

REPORT OF APPROPRIATION COMMITTEE.

WAKEFIELD, Mass., March 6, 1876.

We the undersigned, having been constituted a Committee to recommend certain sums to be raised and appropriated by the Town of Wakefield at the next annual Town Meeting, to be holden on Monday, April 3d, 1876, would respectfully recommend the following appropriations, viz :

For payment of Town Debt,	\$5,000 00
payment of Interest on Town Debt,	9,500 00
Support of Schools,	11,500 00
School Contingent Expenses,	1,000 00
Fire Department,	4,200 00
Town Officers' Salaries,	2,800 00
Poor Department,	4,500 00
Repairs of Highways and Bridges,	3,000 00
Completion of New Salem Street,	500 00
Beebe Town Library—the Dog Tax now in the hands of the Town Treasurer, and	200 00
Street Lamps,	1,200 00
Miscellaneous Expenses,	4,500 00
Total,	<hr/> \$47,900 00

We would recommend that the compensation of Enginemen for the year commencing May 1st, 1876, be fixed at fifteen dollars, not to include services as Steward.

We would also recommend that the compensation of Town Officers for the ensuing year be fixed at the following sums, viz :

Town Treasurer,	\$ 50 00
Town Clerk,	100 00
Selectmen, \$100 each, and \$100 extra for Secretary,	400 00
Board of Assessors,	400 00
Board of Overseers of the Poor,	150 00
Board of School Committee,	200 00
Board of Fire Engineers,	100 00
Board of Auditors,	100 00
Tax Collector, for collecting Tax War- rant of 1876,	500 00

Signed,

JAS. F. EMERSON.
 JAMES OLIVER.
 B. W. OLIVER.
 H. H. SAVAGE.
 THOS. WINSHIP.
 WM. F. YOUNG.
 SOLON O. RICHARDSON.
 JOSEPH TUTTLE.
 WM. K. PERKINS.
 GEO. H. TEAGUE.
 E. A. UPTON.
 S. K. HAMILTON.
 WM. S. GREENOUGH.

A true copy of the Report :

W. S. GREENOUGH, *Secretary*.

BY-LAWS
OF THE
TOWN OF WAKEFIELD.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX SS.

At the Superior Court, begun and holden at Cambridge, within and for the County of Middlesex, on the second Monday of December, being the fourteenth day of said month, Anno Domini 1874,

The following By-Laws adopted by the Town of Wakefield, at a legal town-meeting, held on the twenty-seventh day of July, A. D. 1874, were presented to this Court for approval, in Vacation, to wit, on the twentieth day of October last.

OBSTRUCTING STREETS.

ART. 1. No person except the Road Commissioners in the lawful performance of their duties, or those acting under their orders, shall obstruct any sidewalk or street, or any part thereof, or break or dig the ground of the same, without first obtaining a written license from the Selectmen or Road Commissioners therefor; and the person so licensed shall put and at all times keep up a suitable railing around the parts of any sidewalk or street so obstructed or dug up, as long as the same shall be unsafe or inconvenient for travelers, and shall also keep as many lighted lanterns fixed to such railing or fence every night from twilight in the evening through the whole night as the Selectmen or Road Commissioners shall direct.

OBSTRUCTING SIDEWALKS.

ART. 2. Whenever any sidewalk becomes obstructed or made impassable by reason of the erecting or repairing of any building or of doing any work, the persons doing or causing the same to be done, shall place a good and convenient temporary walk around such obstructions.

AWNINGS AND SIGNS.

ART. 3. No awning or sign shall be placed or continued over any sidewalk unless the support and every part of such awning or sign shall be at least eight feet above the sidewalk, without the written consent of the Selectmen, which consent shall state the time such obstruction shall be allowed.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT.

ART. 4. Three or more persons shall not stand in a group or near to each other on any sidewalk in such a manner as to obstruct a free passage for foot passengers for a longer time than five minutes, nor after a request to move on made by any of the Selectmen, Constables or Police Officers of the Town.

ART. 5. No person shall behave himself in a rude or disorderly manner, or use any indecent, profane or insulting language, in any public place in this town, or near any dwelling house or other building therein, or be or remain upon any sidewalk, or upon any doorstep or other projection from any house or other building, so as to annoy or disturb any person or obstruct any passage to the same. And every person so being or remaining as aforesaid, when ordered by any constable, police officer, watchman, or by the owner or occupant of any building, shall immediately peaceably depart and stay away therefrom.

DRIVING ON SIDEWALKS.

ART. 6. No person shall ride or drive unnecessarily on any of the sidewalks of any street, nor allow his horse or vehicle to remain upon a sidewalk a longer time than five

minutes together, except by permission of the Road Commissioners.

INJURY TO TREES.

ART. 7. No person shall tie or fasten any horse, cattle or team to any of the trees planted in any public highway, street or public lands in this town, nor drive into the same any nails, spikes, hooks or staples, nor affix any signs thereto.

PASTURING CATTLE.

ART. 8. No person shall pasture any cattle or other animals in any of the streets of the town with or without a keeper.

OBSTRUCTING CROSS-WALKS.

ART. 9. No person shall permit or suffer any horse or other animal, carriage or vehicle of any description, belonging to him, or under his charge, to stand or stop upon any cross-walk in this town for any purpose, except the taking up or setting down of passengers, or for a longer time than shall be necessary for such purpose.

MARKET STANDS.

ART. 10. No person shall stand for the purpose of effecting sales or for feeding of teams, upon any of the streets of the town, next to any private dwelling place, with wood, hay, produce, meat or other products of the farm for sale, nor near to any other building when objection is made by the owner or occupant thereof, *provided* that any such persons for the aforesaid purpose may occupy that portion of the streets next to any vacant public grounds, and that this by-law shall not apply to casual calls upon families occupying private dwellings.

FAST DRIVING.

ART. 11. No owner or person for the time being having the care or use of any horse or other beast of burden, carriage or draught, shall ride, drive or permit the same to go

at a faster rate than nine miles an hour in any street, way or public place in this town.

NUISANCES IN THE STREET, ETC.

ART. 12. No person shall place, or cause to be placed in any public street or way of this town the contents of any sink, cesspool or privy, nor place any rubbish or garbage in the same, except for the purpose of immediate removal therefrom.

ART. 13. No person shall throw a carcass of any animal into any of the ponds, streams or waters within the limits of this town, or suffer or leave any such carcass to decay on the surface of the ground, or to be insufficiently buried therein, near any building, street or public way or place.

ART. 14. No person shall at any time whatsoever carry into or through any public street, any contents of any sink, cesspool or privy in any vehicle which shall not be effectually covered and water tight, nor suffer the same to remain standing unnecessarily in any such street, nor remove from their premises the contents of any cesspool or privy between the hours of six o'clock in the morning and six o'clock in the evening, unless by the written consent of the Selectmen or Board of Health.

DEFACING FENCES, ETC.

ART. 15. No person shall make any marks, letters, or figures of any kind upon any wall, fence, post, tree, building, or structure, without the permission of the owner thereof.

FIRE ARMS.

ART. 16. No person shall fire or discharge any gun, fowling piece, pistol, fire arm, or set fire to any materials known as fire works, or other combustible matter, or throw any such lighted fireworks in any of the streets or avenues of this town.

BONFIRES.

ART. 17. No person shall make any bonfire or other fire in any of the streets, avenues or public ways of this town.

COASTING.

ART. 18. No person shall coast in any of the streets or public walks of this town.

BATHING.

ART. 19. No person shall bathe or swim without personal covering, in any public or exposed place in this town.

BALL PLAYING.

ART. 20. No person shall throw stones or other heavy missiles, nor play at base ball or foot ball within any of the public streets or public grounds of this town without permission of the Selectmen first obtained.

PENALTIES.

ART. 21. Every violation of any of the foregoing by-laws shall be punished by a fine of not less than two dollars, nor more than twenty dollars, to be recovered by complaint before any District Court or any Trial Justice of juvenile offenders in the County of Middlesex.

DISPOSAL OF PENALTIES.

ART. 22. All penalties recovered for the violation of either of the foregoing by-laws shall be paid into the Treasury of the town to such use as the town, from time to time, shall direct.

*Special By-Laws of the Town of Wakefield, concerning
Truant Children and Absentees from School.*

SECTION 1. Any minor between the ages of seven and fifteen years, convicted of being an habitual truant, or of wandering about in the streets and public places of this town having no lawful employment or business, not attending school, and growing up in ignorance, shall be committed to any institution of instruction or suitable situation to be provided by the town, or provided by law, for the purpose, for

such time not exceeding two years as the Justice or Court having jurisdiction may determine. Any minor so committed may upon proof of amendment, or for other sufficient cause shown upon a hearing of the case, be discharged by such Justice or Court.

SECT. 2. Justices of district courts, trial justices for juvenile offenders, and judges of probate within and for the County of Middlesex, shall have jurisdiction of the offences described in Section one.

SECT. 3. The School Committee of the Town shall appoint and fix the compensation of two or more suitable persons, to be designated as *truant officers*, who shall, under the direction of said committee, inquire into all cases arising under these by-laws, and shall alone be authorized, in case of violation thereof, to make complaint and carry into execution the judgment thereon. The compensation of such officers shall be paid from the treasury of the town.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the School Committee and of the Superintendent and Teachers of the public schools to report the names of any person or persons violating the provisions of these by-laws to the truant officers of the town.

PROSECUTORS AND COMPLAINANTS.

ART. 23. It shall be the duty of the Selectmen, Constables, Police Officers and Watchmen, to prosecute every violation of the foregoing by-laws, by complaint as hereinbefore mentioned. All prosecutions shall be commenced within three months of the violation of the by-law.

And afterwards, to wit: at this present term of said Court, viz: on this twenty-third day of February, A. D. 1875, said By-Laws, being seen and understood by the Court, are approved.

In testimony that the foregoing is a true copy of record, I hereto set my hand and affix the seal of said Superior Court, this thirty-first day of March, A. D. 1875.

THEO. C. HURD, *Clerk.*

List of Tax Deeds now held by Town Treasurer for non-payment of Taxes.

<i>Estate of</i>	<i>Tax of</i>	<i>Original Tax.</i>
Philip Fehen.	1872	\$34 27
J. W. Bancroft.	1873	29 26
Thomas W. Coombs.	1873	57 48
Donald Douglass.	1873	16 43
A. J. Edmands.	1873	20 53
Rodney Edmands.	1873	34 49
Alson L. Marshall.	1873	26 98
Caroline R. Nichols.	1873	104 87
James Nichols.	1873	51 49
James French.	1873	5 97
Walcott & Young.	1873	5 97
John McLoud.	1873	15 90
"	1874	16 24
C. Wakefield.	1874 sundry lots.	90 26
Total,		\$510 14

THE CENSUS.

The following interesting statistics have been kindly furnished us by Col. C. D. Wright, Chief of the Massachusetts Bureau of Statistics of Labor, &c.:

WAKEFIELD, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, MASS.

	1875.	<i>Comparative figures for 1865, (So. Reading.)</i>
Total Population,	5,349	3,244
Males.	2,511	1,494
Females,	2,838	1,750
Families.	1,274	730
Ratable Polls,	1,379	—
Legal Voters.	1,218	643
Naturalized Voters.	236	—
Aliens.	149	—
Dwelling Houses.	1,010	563
Dwelling Houses occupied.	951	—
Dwelling Houses unoccupied,	59	—

INDUSTRIAL STATISTICS FOR 1875.

Number of Manufacturing Establishments, 82

(Of the above, 49 are establishments engaged in such occupations as Blacksmithing, Carpentry, etc.)

Value of goods manufactured and work done,	\$1,302,311
Capital invested,	1,263,530
Value of stock used,	539,398
Persons employed,	1,059
Value of buildings used for manufacturing purposes.	\$305,525
Value of average stock on hand,	499,890
Value of machinery,	134,392

Comparative figures from Industrial Statistics of 1865, (South Reading.)

Value of goods manufactured and work done.	\$735,220
Capital invested,	303,400

Above are Currency value; average Gold premium in 1865, 57 per cent.; in 1875, 12 per cent.

STATISTICS

FROM

TOWN CLERK'S REGISTER.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Wakefield in 1875.

<i>Date of Marriage</i>	<i>NAMES OF GROOM AND BRIDE.</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Residence of each at Time of Marriage.</i>	<i>Occupation of Groom.</i>	<i>Place of Birth.</i>	<i>Names of Parents.</i>	<i>What Marriage</i>	<i>By whom Married.</i>
Jan. 23 {	Maxwell, Winfield. Boswell, Clara F.	19 21	Stoneham Wakefield	Farmer	Stoneham South Reading.	Lewis and Eliza James O. and Caroline F.	First.... First....	{ James O. Boswell, { J. of P., Wakefield.
Feb. 7 {	Smith, Thomas H. O'Leary, Julia.	22 20	Wakefield Wakefield	Laborer	Wakefield Ireland.	Barnard and Ann Arthur and Julia.	First.... First....	{ Rev. M. F. Flatley, { Wakefield.
Mar. 10 {	Preston, Benjamin F. Rust, Maria A.	23 25	Wakefield Ipswich.	Coal-dealer.	Lynnfield Ipswich.	Benjamin W. and Martha E. William W. and Mary.	First.... First....	{ Rev. E. A. Smith, { Ipswich, Mass.
18 {	Wellman, J. Wesley.. Tasker, Ann M. (Collins)	55 47	Wakefield Cambridge.	Cotton Merchant.	Farmington, Me. Boston, Mass.	James and Sarah F. John and Eliza.	Second. Second.	{ Rev. C. L. McCurdy, { Wakefield.
28 {	Reardon, Cornelius.. Cronin, Ellen.	35 35	Wakefield Wakefield	Tailor	Ireland Ireland.	Michael and Elizabeth. David and Barbara.	First.... First....	{ Rev. M. F. Flatley, { Wakefield.
April 3 {	McDonald, George... Gwynn, Lucy Jane...	24 18	Somerville. Wakefield	Hospital Attendant.	Nova Scotia.... Newburyport..	Alexander and Margaret. James and Mehitable.	First.... First....	{ Rev. Charles R. Bliss, { Wakefield.
8 {	Cobb, Alonzo S. Townley, Ida L.	23 20	Wakefield Wakefield	Tin-man....	Westbrook, Me. Orange, N. J.	Merrit N. and Louisa L. Benjamin and Jane.	First.... First....	{ Rev. Wm. F. Potter, { Wakefield.
May 1 {	Blomberg, Nils. Lilyquist, Mary.	24 23	Wakefield Wakefield	Gardener ..	Sweden. Sweden.	Troides Nilson and Bangta. John and Anna.	First.... First....	{ Rev. J. S. Dahleen, { East Cambridge, Mass
2 {	Smith, Lawrence. Stanton, Margaret.	23 19	Wakefield Wakefield	Laborer	Wakefield Ireland.	Lot and Catherine. William and Mary.	First.... First....	{ Rev. M. F. Flatley, { Wakefield.
5 {	Beede, Warren H. McClellan, Susan L..	22 19	Lynn Lynn	Cutter	Lynn Londonderry, N. S.	Moses H. and Mehitable L. John and Mary.	First.... First....	{ Rev. Charles R. Bliss, { Wakefield.
5 {	Emerson, Fred C. Allen, Annie A.	28 20	Wakefield Stoneham.	Mechanic...	South Reading. Beverly.	Abraham and Mary B. Seth D. and Lydia F.	Second. First....	{ Rev. Chas. Keyser, { Wakefield.
13 {	Bean, William H. Chesley, Mary L.	28 28	Boston. Boston.	Provision Dealer.	Sydney, Me. Nova Scotia.	David and Fanny. Russell and Salida.	Second. First....	{ Rev. John Peterson, { Wakefield.

May 23 {	Sullivan, Jeremiah...	26	Wakefield	Shoemaker .	Ireland.....	Michael and Honora.....	First....	{ Rev. M. F. Flatley, Wakefield.
	Healy, Honora.....	18	Wakefield		Ireland.....	Jeremiah and Julia.....	First....	
23 {	Lapham, Elbridge W.	21	Chelsea	Moulder....	Providence,R.I.	Oliver and Melitable.....	First....	{ Rev. Wm. F. Potter, Wakefield.
	Cobb, Abbie C.....	20	Wakefield		Portland, Me...	Benjamin B. and Joanna.....	First....	
24 {	Rowe, Leonard B....	24	Melrose.....	Carpenter ..	Saugus	Joseph and Melinda.....	First....	{ Rev. S. B. Sweetser, Melrose.
	Evans, Sadie E.....	24	Wakefield		Wakefield	Asaph and Lucinda.....	First....	
25 {	Pratt, Thomas B....	19	Wakefield	Milk Dealer	Wakefield.....	Harris and Hannah J.....	First....	{ Emory O. Bean, Justice of the Peace.
	Robie, Carrie A.....	21	Readfield, Me.		Readfield, Me..	William and Eliza Ann.....	First....	
28 {	Buckley, William P.	22	Wakefield	Engraver....	Boston.....	John and Catherine.....	Second	{ Rev. J. J. Hilton, Boston.
	Kendrick, Alice E...	18	Wakefield		Boston.....	William A. and Emeline C.....	First....	
June 13 {	Newhall, Charles M.	23	Lynnfield.....	Trader.....	Lynnfield.....	Allen A. and Sally A.....	First....	{ Rev. Charles Keyser, Wakefield.
	Little, Susan L., (Brimlicorn.)	38	Lynn.....		Lynn.....	John and Elizabeth.....	Second	
2 {	Nye, Edward B.....	27	Wakefield	Mechanic...	Montpelier.....	Ezekiel D. and Sarah Ann.....	First....	{ Rev. Wm. Barrows, Reading.
	Hersey, M. B. (Allen).	27	Wakefield		Haverhill	John A. and Ennice B.....	Second	
10 {	Mellen, Andrew.....	35	Wakefield	Shoemaker .	Albany, N. Y...	Andrew and Jane.....	Second	{ Rev. Wm. A. Thompson, Reading.
	Neary, Hattie.....	33	Somerville....		Horton, N. S....	William and Rebecca.....	First....	
14 {	Hamill, John C.....	24	Wakefield	Currier.....	Ireland.....	Bernard and Mary.....	First....	{ Chas. F. Hartshorne, J. of P., Wakefield.
	Johnson, Alice E....	20	Wakefield		Haverhill, N.H.	Solomon and Nancy.....	First....	
16 {	Gilman, Curtis B....	31	Lawrence....	Operative ..	Stafford, Vt ...	Benjamin and Betsy.....	First....	{ Rev. John Peterson, Wakefield.
	Wilbur, Jennie A....	21	Lawrence....		New Brunswick	Isaac and Eunice	First....	
24 {	Strangman, William A	26	Newburyport.	Butcher	Oshkosh, Wis ..	William and Elizabeth.....	First....	{ Rev. D. M. Wilson, Wakefield.
	Tappan, Sylvia S....	21	Wakefield		Newburyport...	Charles and Sylvia.....	First....	
July 8 {	Underwood, Henry B	35	Algona, Iowa.	Clergyman..	Poughkeepsie..	Almon and Etta.....	First....	{ Rev. Wm. H. Pierce, Somerville.
	Rich, Emily S.....	32	Wakefield		Arlington.....	Elkanah and Sarah.....	First....	
15 {	Cutter, Isaac M.....	27	Wakefield	Chair Maker	Charlestown....	Isaac S. and Martha A.....	First....	{ Rev. James K. Ewer, Reading.
	Brown, Nellie F.....	21	Wakefield		Scituate	Thomas J. and Lydia A.....	First....	
28 {	Currier, Horace P....	45	Wakefield	Needle Maker.	Lynan, Me.....	John and Hannah.....	Third....	{ Rev. Charles R. Bliss, Wakefield.
	Scruggins, Mary E...	24	Melrose.....		So. Boston.....	Elizabeth J. and Edwin J.....	First....	
Aug. 18 {	Savage, Jerome.....	23	Wakefield	Watchmaker	Charlestown....	Theodore and Maria	First....	{ Rev. Henry W. Jones, Barnett, Vt.
	Moore, Fannie.....	21	Barnett, Vt....		Barnett, Vt.....	John H. and Harriet W.....	First....	

Marriages Registered in the Town of Wakefield in 1875—(Continued.)

<i>Date of Marriage</i>	<i>NAMES OF GROOM AND BRIDE.</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Residence of each at Time of Marriage.</i>	<i>Occupation of Groom.</i>	<i>Place of Birth.</i>	<i>Names of Parents.</i>	<i>What Marriage</i>	<i>By whom Married.</i>
Aug. 19 {	Deming, Frank D.	33	Wakefield	Overseer...	Cornish, N. H. .	Stephen B. and Nancy.....	Second .	{ Rev. Wm. H. Wilcox, Reading.
14 {	Moses, Vesta A. (Hill)	27	Stoneham		Stoneham	Nehemiah and Hannah	Second .	{
	Kelaheer, Timothy.....	27	Wakefield	Laborer	Ireland.....	Jeremiah and Joanna.....	First....	{ Rev. John Flatley, Wakefield.
26 {	Murphy, Honora	24	Wakefield		Ireland.....	Daniel and Margaret.....	First....	{
	Blanchard, Will A.	21	Wakefield	Salesman...	Wakefield	Abner J. and Mary A.....	First....	{ Rev. Charles R. Bliss, Wakefield.
21 {	Ballard, M. Ada.....	21	Wakefield		Nashua, N. H. .	William and Hannah J.....	First....	{
Sept. 2 {	Ballard, William P.	24	Wakefield	Steel Melter	Lowell.....	William and Hannah J.....	First....	{ Rev. Charles R. Bliss, Wakefield.
23 {	Lane, Emily A.....	23	Wakefield		Wakefield.....	David P. and Sarah G.....	First....	{
23 {	Allen, William C.....	23	Wakefield	Chairmaker	New Bedford... Newmarket, N. H.	John C. and Avis L.....	First....	{ Rev. Wm. F. Potter, Wakefield.
24 {	Brooks, Emma J.....	24	Wakefield		Samuel C. and Mary H.....	Samuel C. and Mary H.....	First....	{
25 {	Thompson, George L	25	Stoneham.....	Hostler.....	Lowell.....	George and Mary	First....	{ Rev. D. C. Knowles, Malden.
20 {	Poland, Hannah J.....	20	Wakefield		Salem.....	Jeremiah and Lucy	First....	{
24 {	Wadlin, Horace G.....	24	Reading.....	Architect...	Wakefield	Daniel H. and Lucy E.....	First....	{ Rev. Wm. F. Potter, Wakefield.
22 {	Butterfield, Eliza F.....	22	Wakefield		Saugus.. ..	E. Averill and S. Esther	First....	{
25 {	Forrest, John.....	25	Stoneham.....	Butcher	Ireland.....	Richard and Mary.....	First....	{ Rev. John Peterson, Wakefield.
27 {	Greene, Mary Ann	27	Stoneham.....		Stoneham.....	Jonathan and Mary	First....	{
30 {	Tilton, Horace.....	30	Boston.....	Locomotive Engineer	Brentwood, N. H.	John and Joanna.....	First....	{ Rev. Charles Keyser, Wakefield.
32 {	Ham, Hannah E.....	32	Exeter, N. H. .		No. Berwick, Me	Gilman and Hannah	First....	{
34 {	Harvey, John R.....	34	Augusta, Me..	Farmer.....	Readfield, Me..	William and Ann.....	First....	{ Rev. John Peterson, Wakefield.
34 {	Cole, Annie M. (Davis)	34	Wakefield ...		Vassalboro', Me	John and Sarah	Second .	{
Oct. 2 {								
25 {	Hutchings, William R	25	Gloucester....	Sea Captain	Arichat, N. S. .	William and Mary.....	First....	{ Rev. M. F. Flatley, Wakefield.
23 {	Hearn, Mary B.....	23	Arichat, N. S. .		Arichat, N. S. .	James and Isabella.....	First....	{
21 {	Burgess, Nathan B.....	21	Wakefield	Salesman...	Augusta, Me...	Edwin B. and Esther A. B.....	First....	{ Rev. Geo. W. Quinby, Lynn.
20 {	Sullivan, Florence L..	20	Wakefield			Edwin R. and Joanna M.....	First....	{

Marriages Registered in the Town of Wakefield in 1875—(Concluded.)

<i>Date of Marriage</i>	<i>NAMES OF GROOM AND BRIDE.</i>	<i>Age.</i>	<i>Residence of each at Time of Marriage.</i>	<i>Occupation of Groom.</i>	<i>Place of Birth.</i>	<i>Names of Parents.</i>	<i>What Marriage</i>	<i>By whom Married.</i>
Dec. 9 {	Kelton, Robert S..... Ramsdell, Ada E.....	29 24	Wakefield Wakefield	Artist.....	Dorchester Gardiner, Me...	Rufus and Mary..... William M. and Eliza A	Second . First.....	{ Rev. Charles R. Bliss, Wakefield.
12 {	Young, Andrew..... Quaite, Sarah A. (Buckley.)	52 39	Wakefield Wakefield	Teamster...	Canada..... Amesbury	James and Salome..... James and Ann.....	Second . Second .	{ Rev. John Peterson, Wakefield.
12 {	Flint, Frank A..... Robinson, Flora I....	27 20	No. Reading.. No. Reading..	Clerk	No. Reading.... Charlestown ...	George and Betsey..... John M. and Sarah.....	First.... First....	{ Rev. Charles R. Bliss, Wakefield.
13 {	Kendrick, Lewis I.... Willis, Theresa.....	23 21	Wakefield East Boston..	Farmer.....	East Boston.... P. E. Island....	William A. and Emeline..... George H. and Ann Maria	First.... First....	{ Rev. W. H. Cudworth, East Boston.
24 {	Cushing, Joseph W.. Lewis, Clara A.....	22 23	Wakefield Reading	Painter.....	Wakefield..... East Boston....	Joseph and Sarah J	First.... First....	{ Rev. W. H. Cudworth, East Boston.
23 {	Merrill, Isaac D Hayden, Henrietta S.	21 20	Wakefield Wakefield	Baggage Master.	Atkinson, N. H. Amherst, N. H..	Philip D. and Judith C	First.... First....	{ Rev. Charles Keyser, Wakefield.

Births Registered in the Town of Wakefield in 1875.

No.	Name of Child.	Sex.	Date of Birth.	Names of Parents.	Occupation of Father.
1	Fairbanks, Lewis	Male	January 2	Zepheniah F. and Katie (Crowley)	Painter.
2	Russell, Bertha E	Female	2	Joseph W. and Annie C. (Pager)	Laborer.
3	Butler, Joseph	Male	3	Edward and Mary (Desmond)	Laborer.
4	Hamilton, Charlotte H.	Female	6	Charles R. and Maggie (Mahoney)	Fireman.
5	McKenzie, Catherine	Female	13	John and Catherine (McCOSTLE)	Laborer.
6	Mahoney, John	Male	20	Dennis and Mary A. (Fleming)	Laborer.
7	Sweetser, Frank E.	Male	21	Jawett B. and Frances G. (Eaton)	Shoe Manufacturer.
8	Smith, Mary J	Female	31	Thomas H. and Julia (O'Leary)	Laborer.
9	Sullivan, Margaret	Female	31	Thomas and Ellen (McCarty)	Laborer.
10	Benoi, Louisa	Female	February 9	Samuel and Jane (Froton)	Laborer.
11	Richardson, Grace M	Female	11	Charles F. and Margaret S. (Reardon)	Photographer.
12	Crowley, Hannah	Female	13	William and Catherine (Lannigan)	Laborer.
13	Dunshee, Willie G	Female	13	Allen L. and Sarah M. (Austin)	Laborer.
14	Gary, William H. H.	Male	15	William H. and Elvira (Nichols)	Carpenter.
15	Dennehe, John W.	Male	22	William and Ellen (Connolly)	Furniture Dealer.
16	Flanders, Fredonia E.	Female	23	David and Fredonia (Cutter)	Laborer.
17	Danforth, Ida M	Female	25	Albert H. and Mary E. (Mellen)	Stove Mounter.
18	Wright, Nellie	Female	28	Otis and Ella M. (Newcomb)	Shoe Maker.
19	Edgecomb, Effie May	Female	1	Charles H. and Sadie (Ripley)	Shoe Maker.
20	Bamber, David	Male	March	Isaac and Fannie (Melzinski)	Merchant.
21	Wiley, Albert H.	Male	3	Albert A. and Addie F. (Ryder)	Shoe Manufacturer.
22	Mansfield, Alice M.	Female	4	W. Judson and Emma J. (Walton)	Engraver.
23	Dearborn, Julian R.	Male	10	Nathaniel D. and Susan (Torrey)	Baker.
24	Day, Grace B	Female	12	Hosea L. and Clara A. (Stephenson)	Laborer.
25	Cowie, William A.	Male	22	William and Ella N. (Butler)	Laborer.
26	Mulligan, Rosanna	Female	23	Thomas and Maggie (Lyons)	Grocer.
27	Murphy, Margaret G.	Female	2	Daniel C. and Margaret (Lahee)	Shoe Maker.
28	Wynan, Willie T	Female	3	William T. and Eliza J. (Bateman)	Laborer.
29	Belfour, John	Male	9	Alexander and Jane (Macgregor)	Carpenter.
30	McLain, Lewis H.	Male	12	John and Alice J. (Hurd)	Laborer.
31	Teague, Horace Binney Sargent	Male	15	George H. and Henrietta (Whitemore)	Carpenter.
32	Welsh, Nellie	Female	16	Bartholomew and Kate (Quinn)	Laborer.
33	Ricker, Percie W	Male	17	George E. and Hattie N. (Pierson)	Showcase Maker.
34	Healey, James L	Male	25	George H. and Nellie (McCarty)	Laborer.
35	King, Washington E	Male twin	27	Washington and Mary J. (Murdock)	Shoe Maker.
36	King, Francis	Male twin	29	Washington and Mary J. (Murdock)	Shoe Maker.
37	Smith, Hattie May	Female twin	29	Frank and Clara (Kelley)	Laborer.
38	Smith, Alfred May	Male twin	6	Frank and Clara (Kelley)	Laborer.

Births Registered in the Town of Wakefield in 1875—(Continued.)

No.	Name of Child.	Sex.	Date of Birth.	Names of Parents.	Occupation of Father.
39	Phillbrick, Eliza R.....	Female.....	May 9....	Alvin S. and Ella R. (Alley).....	Ice Dealer.
40	McManus, Thomas R.....	Male.....	10....	John A. and Mary (Gargon).....	Paper Hanger.
41	Stevens, Gertrude F.....	Female.....	11....	Austin W. and Eveline (Stevens).....	Shoemaker.
42	Maxwell, Mabel E.....	Female.....	12....	Winfield S. and Clara F. (Boswell).....	Farmer.
43	Morgan, George.....	Male.....	18....	Hugh and Mary (Orpin).....	Laborer.
44	Parker, Louisa B.....	Female.....	23....	Horace B. and Henrietta M. (Barry).....	Book Keeper.
45	Gear, Hugh.....	Male.....	23....	William and Isabella (Chisam).....	Laborer.
46	Malcolm, Catherine.....	Female.....	24....	John and Jane (Duncanson).....	Flagman.
47	Howland, William Jethro.....	Male.....	25....	William J. and Emma F. (Perkins).....	Druggist.
48	Loughlin, Thomas P.....	Male.....	31....	John and Hannah (Lenoin).....	Laborer.
49	Ruggles, Louisa.....	Female.....	3....	Henry S. and Mary E. (Ryan).....	Book Keeper.
50	Purinton, Harry V.....	Male.....	5....	William F. and Lillie E. (Brown).....	Grocer.
51	Tully, Mary E.....	Female.....	22....	Thomas and Mary (Gunning).....	Laborer.
52	Breiman, John D.....	Male.....	29....	Dennis and Mary (Eager).....	Laborer.
53	Redington, Richard.....	Male.....	30....	Patrick and Mary (Hogan).....	Laborer.
54	Redican, Michael.....	Male.....	1....	James and Annie (Sheridan).....	Tailor.
55	Weary, James J.....	Male.....	1....	James and Catherine (Coleman).....	Weaver.
56	Sherin, Patrick F.....	Male.....	3....	Francis and Ellen (Foley).....	Shoemaker.
57	Anderson, Jeanette.....	Female.....	4....	James and Elizabeth (Nils).....	Laborer.
58	Cameron, Jessie M.....	Female.....	11....	James and Matilda (Lefest).....	Teamster.
59	Eaton, Lottie C.....	Female.....	12....	Jacob H. and Carrie L. (Wright).....	Shoemaker.
60	Titcomb, Ida.....	Female.....	17....	Joseph J. and Fannie M. (Burnell).....	Carpenter.
61	O'Hea, Hannah.....	Female.....	19....	John and Maggie (Cochran).....	Laborer.
62	Dudley, Roxella.....	Female.....	20....	Dean and Mary E. (Scoman).....	Publisher.
63	Wilder, Edith A.....	Female.....	22....	George W. and Aphrenia E. (Richardson).....	Shoemaker.
64	Graham, Edna Helen.....	Female.....	22....	William and Elizabeth (Tyzer).....	Mechanic.
65	Cobb, Lillian B.....	Female.....	23....	Benjamin B. and Sarah (Curtis).....	Moulder.
66	Carey, Bessie Wentworth.....	Female.....	1....	George E. and Emma L. (Wentworth).....	Clerk.
67	Froton, Simon H.....	Male.....	6....	Simon and Fanny (Doucette).....	Laborer.
68	Foley, Hannah.....	Female.....	9....	Patrick and Ellen (Horgan).....	Laborer.
69	Cosman, Bessie M.....	Female.....	10....	Frederic M. and Sarah A. (Stack).....	Stove Mounter.
70	Winfred, Hickey.....	Male.....	13....	Cornelius and Bridget (Coker).....	Laborer.
71	Cooper, Mertie.....	Female.....	16....	Reuben L. and Caroline L. (Tuck).....	Overseer.
72	Williamson, George.....	Male.....	21....	James and Isabella (Kew).....	Laborer.
73	O'Neal, William.....	Male.....	29....	Patrick and Ellen (Toomey).....	Laborer.
74	Tyzer, Ernest E.....	Male.....	30....	George R. and Matilda J. (Edwards).....	Wheelwright.
75	Goodwin, Henry M.....	Male.....	30....	Michael E. and Mary (Foley).....	Carpenter.
76	Carey, Mattie G.....	Female.....	1....	Martha Carey.....	

77	Douglas, John W	Male.....	Sept.	2.....	Donald and Margaret (Collins).....	Laborer.
78	Regan, Margaret A.....	Female.....		3....	Timothy and Mary (Lyons).....	Laborer.
79	Scully, Gertrude E.....	Female.....		5....	Joseph N. and Mary (Mack).....	Clerk.
80	Margaret C. Edwards.....	Female.....		11....	Thomas I. and Margaret (O'Brien).....	Laborer.
81	Coon, William Hall.....	Male.....		17....	William L. and Nellie P. (Hall).....	Custom House Officer.
82	Rideout, William W.....	Male.....		15....	Henry M. and Addie (Wallace).....	Clerk.
83	Reed, Lillian M.....	Female.....		24....	Washington and S. Lizzie (Pratt).....	Mechanic.
84	Whitford, Persis E.....	Male.....		24....	John and S. Eliza (Burnham).....	Laborer.
85	Greany, Daniel.....	Male.....		25....	Patrick and Margaret (Sullivan).....	Laborer.
86	Stone, Frederic E.....	Male.....		29....	Orvin and Nellie (Consigns).....	Moulder.
87	Preston, Mary I.....	Female.....	October	29....	Joseph and Mary (McDonald).....	Shoemaker.
88	Nickerson, Harry R.....	Male.....		5....	Solomon H. and Mary (Wright).....	Salesman.
89	McCormick, Mary.....	Female.....		8....	Frank and Mary (Collins).....	Laborer.
90	Leva, Lizzie G.....	Female.....		12....	Joseph and Lizzie (Dorsey).....	Laborer.
91	Sherry, Katie M.....	Female.....		15....	Andrew M. and Eliza (Keeho).....	Laborer.
92	Kirk, John Frederic.....	Male.....		21....	John and Ella Jane (Lyman).....	Salesman.
93	Millerick, James.....	Male.....		25....	James and Joanna (Trahey).....	Laborer.
94	French, Mabel L.....	Female.....	Nov.	30....	William C. and Abby L. (Chandler).....	Real Estate Broker.
95	Emerson, Emily E.....	Female.....		2....	Frederic and R. Fannie (Howard).....	Chair Maker.
96	Shea, Fiorella F.....	Female.....		4....	John F. and Mary (Donnivan).....	Carpenter.
97	Gibbs, John G.....	Male.....		6....	John G. and Esther S. (Devanny).....	Laborer.
98	Grady, James M.....	Male.....		8....	Patrick and Bridget (Kelly).....	Carpenter.
99	Ross, Marian A.....	Female.....		9....	James O. and Catherine (Arrington).....	Laborer.
100	Mears, Edward A.....	Male.....		12....	Samuel A. and Anna J. (Perkins).....	Laborer.
101	McDonald, George W.....	Male.....		19....	George and Lucy J. (Gwynn).....	Att'nd't in Asylum.
102	Reardon, Patrick.....	Male.....		22....	Patrick and Mary (Whelan).....	Laborer.
103	Haggerty, Mary E.....	Female.....		25....	John and Ellen (Meloney).....	Tailor.
104	Gowen, Jessie.....	Female.....		25....	F. A. and Mary J. (Horne).....	Book-Keeper.
105	Abbott, Clarissa C.....	Female.....		27....	George and Charlotte (Newcomb).....	Shoe-packer.
106	French, Bell.....	Female.....			Winfield S. and Fannie L. (Hanscomb).....	Carpenter.
107	Kendall, Arthur J.....	Male.....	Dec.	2....	George W. and Myra (Wade).....	Wheelwright.
108	French, Harry W.....	Male.....		4....	Mareus D. and Emma J. (Jones).....	Shoe-cutter.
109	Brooks, Albert B.....	Male.....		8....	Albert F. and Abby F. (Hancroft).....	Treasury Clerk.
110	Snow, Isabel W.....	Female.....		9....	Charles M. and Catherine (McKeady).....	Moulder.
111	Gilson, Nancy E.....	Female.....		9....	Edmund and Ellen (Lyons).....	Shoe-maker.
112	White, Isabel.....	Female.....		12....	Ira E. and Sarah J. (Pearl).....	Musician.
113	Bowman, Walter I.....	Male.....		14....	Charles W. and Bessie (Cobright).....	Laborer.
114	Ronan, James F.....	Male.....		16....	Michael H. and Mary (Flannery).....	Shoe-maker.
115	Pendleton, Lillie E.....	Female.....		19....	Francis M. and Susan S. (Fletcher).....	Carpenter.
116	Greany, Dennis C.....	Male.....		20....	William and Mary (Connell).....	Laborer.
117	Sweeney, William.....	Male.....		23....	William and Annie (Murrey).....	Laborer.
118	Cutter, Alice Bertha.....	Female.....		27....	J. Mott and Nellie F. (Brown).....	Chair-maker.
119	Kenney, Owen.....	Male.....		28....	Patrick and Bridget (Magninits).....	Laborer.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Wakefield in 1875.

Date of Death.	NAME OF DECEASED.			Condition.	Occupation.	Place of Birth.	Names of Parents.	Disease or Cause of Death.
	Yrs.	Mos.	Dys.					
Jan. 2,	Staples, Sarah J.	7	14	Single	.....	Wakefield	Albert H. and Sarah Jane	Cerebritis.
3,	Sherman, Jabez.	27	28	Married	.....	Fairhaven	Jesse and Charlotte	Consumption.
8,	Minniken, Lilly V.	4	10	Single	.....	Providence, R.I.	John and Elizabeth	Diphtheria.
11,	McCormick, Thomas	3	6	.....	.....	England	Francis and Mary	"
11,	Campbell, Bridget A.	38	11	Married	.....	Ireland	John and Catherine	Lung Fever.
12,	Stone, Ambrose	65	10	"	.....	St. Croix, C. E.	Charles and Bridget	Cystitis.
12,	Gihon, George A.	65	19	.....	.....	Wakefield	Charles and Bridget	Bronchitis.
12,	Nichols, Elbridge S.	7	.....	Single	.....	"	Jeff'n J. and S. Adelaide.	Premature Birth.
13,	Evans, Amos	87	3	Widower	.....	"	Thomas and Rebecca	Old Age.
16,	Fairbanks, Martha (Gould)	60	10	Married	.....	"	William and Sally	Calculi in Kidney.
24,	Haskell, Annie M.	3	5	Single	.....	"	Henry L. and Sarah A.	Gastric Enteritis.
28,	Bradbrook, George G.	2	1	"	.....	Cambridgeport.	Albert and Susan	Whooping Cough.
30,	Carlson, Oscar H.	2	6	"	.....	Wakefield	Gustaf H. and Catherine	Diphtheria.
31,	Carter, Charles E.	19	9	"	.....	Charlestown	Edwin S. and Eunice	Consumption.
1,	Wright, Lizzie (Poland)	24	9	Married	.....	Essex	J. remiah and Lucy E.	Tubercular Dis. Lungs.
5,	Westgate, Charles T.	24	1	Single	.....	Nantucket	James and Lydia	Congestion of Lungs.
8,	Gustaf H. Carlson	38	14	Married	.....	Sweden	Carl G. and Annie M.	Diphtheria.
10,	Skinner, Thomas B.	65	22	"	.....	Wakefield	Thomas and Mary	Diabetis.
10,	Sullivan, Mary	45	.....	Widow	.....	Ireland	.....	Consumption.
13,	King, Lottie C.	3	5	Single	.....	Stoneham	Washington and Mary	Disease of Liver.
22,	Ripley, Hannah (Maxim)	67	11	Married	.....	Paris, Me	Silas and Hannah	Softening of the Brain.
28,	Hale, Frank L.	1	5	Single	.....	Lawrence	Henry F. and Annie A.	Tubercular Meningitis.
23,	Faunce	23	.....	.....	.....	Wakefield	Edward and Huldah	Premature Birth.
23,	Wilder, Betsy (Pierce)	84	5	Widow	.....	Charlestown	Samuel and Jemima	Paralysis.
26,	Ardill	.....	.....	Single	.....	Wakefield	George M. and Hannah	Still-born.
March 8,	Smith, Alice A.	3	10	.....	.....	Cambridge	Charles M. and C. A.	Rubiola.
14,	Hartshorne, Joseph	82	8	Widower	.....	Wakefield	James and Sarah	Ossification of Heart.
23,	Sliney, Ellen	6	18	Single	.....	"	Timothy and Mary	Whooping Cough.
26,	McMahan, Kate	5	6	.....	.....	"	John and Mary	"
April 9,	Thayer, Charles E.	62	10	Married	.....	Boston	Richard and Martha	Typhoid Pneumonia.
14,	Walton, Eliza (Hall)	69	6	Widow	.....	Leominster	Gershon and Barbara	Pneumonia.
15,	Oliver, Eliza P.	77	.....	Single	.....	Boston	Ebenezer and Elizabeth	Paralysis.
21,	McCarthy, Julia	70	.....	Widow	.....	Ireland	John and Julia	Phthisis.
26,	Capen, Grace L.	70	.....	Single	.....	Wakefield	Ellery and Henrietta A.	Pneumonia.
May 2,	Mansir, Willie E.	1	2	"	.....	"	William H. and Emma E.	Tubercular Dis. Brain.
4,	Parker, Dole	55	16	Married	.....	New Salem, N.H.	Edward and Mary	Killed by cars.
4,	Downs, Margaret (Bass)	31	3	"	.....	England	Abel and Amanda	Abscess on Bowels.

May	4.	Thompson, Charles A.	.....	36	2	19	Single	.....	Wakefield	Chas. and Georgianna F.	Cyanosis.
	5.	Minniken, Elizabeth (Fulton)	.....	74	6	19	Married	.....	Ireland	Hugh and Margaretta	Cancer.
	6.	Cronin, David	.....	27	11	19	Widower	.....	Saugus	Daniel and Mary	Typhoid Fever.
	15.	Edmunds, Marcelinus	.....	3	8	8	Single	.....	Lynnfield	Rodney and Mary	Consumption.
	16.	Mitchell, Cora Vesta	.....	3	8	8	Single	.....	Reading	Samuel H. and Susan J.	Scarlatina.
	28.	Donnelly, Nelly	.....	7	1	12	"	.....	Wakefield	John and Mary A.	Burned.
June	28.	Borthwick	.....	33	9	1	Married	.....	Wakefield	James and Catherine	Still-born.
	2	Sloan, Rufus A.	.....	61	10	6	"	.....	Orleans	Joseph G. and Beulah	Consumption.
	4.	White, William	.....	37	8	16	"	.....	Wakefield	John and Judith	Peritonitis.
	8.	Milner, Margaret (Steele)	.....	75	1	15	Widow	.....	Orrington, Me.	Andrew and Nancy	Child-birth and Tumor.
	10.	Cushman, Elizabeth (Bryant)	.....	1	1	15	Single	.....	Gorham	Samuel and Lydia	Ossification of Heart.
	13.	Maxwell, Mabel E.	.....	1	1	1	Single	.....	Wakefield	Winfield and Clara T.	Spinal Meningitis.
	18.	Hurley, Daniel J.	.....	9	1	5	"	.....	Wakefield	James and Eliza	Dropsy.
	28.	Summers, George F.	.....	21	1	13	Widow	.....	Lynnfield	George M and Mary A.	Phthisis.
	29.	Sanger, Lucy (Gould)	.....	63	1	17	Single	.....	Newton	James and Patty	Apoplexy.
July	2.	Nagle, Maria B.	.....	21	2	20	Single	.....	Boston	John and Bridget	Consumption.
	11.	Wiley, Nelly F.	.....	12	2	20	Widow	.....	Wakefield	James M. and Amanda M.	Cere. Spinal Meningitis.
	13.	Hinchon, Honora (Shean)	.....	74	4	14	Single	.....	Ireland	Thomas and Hannah	Apoplexy.
	14.	Downs, John P.	.....	.....	4	14	Single	.....	Wakefield	Patrick and Margaret	Marasmus.
	15.	Hanson, Robert M.	.....	.....	5	11	"	.....	"	Anthony and Annie L.	Premature Birth.
	24.	Dunshee, Willie G.	.....	33	3	6	Married	.....	Brighton	Allen L. and Sarah M.	Cholera Infantum.
	26.	Mansfield, Edward G.	.....	.....	3	14	Single	.....	Wakefield	Edward and Clarinda	Nephritis.
	31.	King, Francis C.	.....	.....	7	19	"	.....	"	Washington and Mary J.	Cholera Infantum.
Aug.	2.	Titcomb, Ida	.....	.....	8	26	"	.....	"	Joseph J. and Faunie M.	"
	7.	Birchstead, George W.	.....	79	8	26	Married	.....	Charlestown	James F. and Sarah E.	Enteritis.
	7.	Pratt, Henry D. J.	.....	43	4	17	"	.....	Andover	Oliver and Rebecca T.	Disease of Heart.
	8.	Faulkner, Samuel F.	.....	59	4	17	"	.....	Dunvers	Henry C. and Sarah H. J.	Pneumonia & Bright's Dis.
	9.	Eaton, Caroline L. (Wright)	.....	27	3	12	Single	.....	Wakefield	Lowell and Dorcas	Pneumonia.
	12.	King, Washington J.	.....	.....	9	20	"	.....	George town	Hiram and Lydia	Consumption.
	14.	Brownell, Charles W.	.....	.....	8	9	"	.....	Wakefield	Washington and Mary J.	Marasmus.
	19.	Ricker, Frank H.	.....	.....	4	9	"	.....	Wakefield	A. W. and Helen J.	Cholera Infantum.
	23.	McLain, Lewis Hurd	.....	.....	1	17	Single	.....	Farmington	Edwin W. and Hannah M.	Enteritis.
	25.	Carey, Mattie G.	.....	15	10	17	Single	.....	Salem	John and Alice J. P.	Cholera Infantum.
	26.	Jarvis, Gilman D.	.....	64	8	14	Married	.....	England	Benjamin and Eliza A.	Canker.
	27.	Leshie, Caroline H. (Nichols)	.....	19	8	13	Single	.....	St. Johns, N. B.	Hero and Mary	Congestion of Lungs.
	30.	Savage, Selina	.....	19	6	20	Married	.....	Merrimac, N. H.	George and Emma	Cholera Morbus.
	30.	Kirkpatrick, Frank M.	.....	31	3	7	Single	.....	Reading	Hugh B. and Margaret	Typhoid Fever.
Sept.	2.	Wright, Joseph W.	.....	23	7	11	Widow	.....	Seituate	Franklin and Clara A.	Cerebral Meningitis.
	14.	Bellows, Elizabeth (Burnett)	.....	72	11	12	Single	.....	Wakefield	Thos. W. and Mehitable	Consumption.
	15.	Ahlert, Mary	.....	11	2	4	Widow	.....	Wakefield	John and Mary	Dysentery.
	17.	Carter, Joseph H.	.....	45	11	2	Single	.....	So. Reading	William and Elizabeth	"
	24.	Thompson, Andrew B.	.....	11	6	26	Married	.....	Wakefield	Robert and Jane B.	Pneumonia.
	25.	Philbrick, Eliza M (Cowardrey)	.....	26	10	26	Married	.....	Wakefield	John and Margaret M.	Phthisis.
Oct.	19.	Hawkes, Martha (Greene)	.....	92	24	24	Widow	.....	So. Reading	John and Margaret M.	Consumption.
			.....	92	24	24	Widow	.....	So. Reading	J. Green and Martha	Dysentery.

RECAPITULATION.

<i>Births registered in 1875,</i>	.	.	.	.	.	119
Males,	.	.	.	.	.	59
Females,	.	.	.	.	.	60

<i>Nativity of Parents.</i>	<i>Fathers.</i>	<i>Mothers.</i>
Born in Wakefield,	11	8
Other towns in the United States,	47	54
British Provinces,	6	11
Ireland,	35	37
England,	8	3
Scotland,	9	4
Poland,	1	1
France,	1	0
East Indies,	0	1

<i>Marriages registered in 1875,</i>	.	.	.	.	60
Widowers, . 12		Widows, . 8			

<i>Nativity.</i>	<i>Grooms.</i>	<i>Brides.</i>
Born in Wakefield,	8	8
Other towns in the United States,	38	36
British Provinces,	4	6
Ireland,	9	8
Sweden,	1	1

	<i>Grooms.</i>	<i>Brides.</i>
Number under 20 years of age,	2	6
between 20 and 30,	44	44
between 30 and 40,	9	8
between 40 and 50,	2	2
between 50 and 60,	3	0
Oldest Groom, . 56	Oldest Bride . 47.	
Youngest " . 19	Youngest " . 18	

<i>Deaths registered in 1875,</i>	.	.	.	.	.	104
Males,	56	Females,	.	.	.	48

Average age, 29 years 2 months 14 days.

Number under 5 years of age,	.	.	.	.	.	35
between 5 and 10,	.	.	.	.	.	4
between 10 and 20,	.	.	.	.	.	9
between 20 and 30,	.	.	.	.	.	7
between 30 and 40,	.	.	.	.	.	11
between 40 and 50,	.	.	.	.	.	5
between 50 and 60,	.	.	.	.	.	3
between 60 and 70,	.	.	.	.	.	9
between 70 and 80,	.	.	.	.	.	6
between 80 and 90,	.	.	.	.	.	8
between 90 and 100,	.	.	.	.	.	1
still-born,	.	.	.	.	.	6

Nativity of Persons Deceased.

Born in Wakefield,	.	.	.	.	.	45
Other towns in the United States,	.	.	.	.	.	45
British Provinces,	.	.	.	.	.	2
England,	.	.	.	.	.	4
Ireland,	.	.	.	.	.	5
Scotland,	.	.	.	.	.	2
Sweden,	.	.	.	.	.	1

<i>Dogs licensed in 1875,</i>	241
Males,	228	Females,	.	.	.	13

Cash paid County Treasurer,	\$472 80
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CHARLES F. HARTSHORNE,

Town Clerk.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

In presenting their annual report, the Committee take pleasure in saying that the interests confided to their care have received much attention, and are believed to be in as good condition as, from the means afforded them, the citizens of the town could well expect.

They gladly bear witness to the fidelity of the teachers, to the general obedience and studiousness of the scholars, and to a good degree of co-operation on the part of parents. Few difficulties have arisen during the year either from discipline, or sickness, or loss of teachers, or any other cause; and progress in study has been uninterrupted.

GRADING.

One of the difficult questions with which a School Committee in a town like ours has to deal, relates to the grading of the schools. On the one hand, it is desirable to gain the advantage that comes from system; and on the other, it is desirable to escape the evils that come from running the schools in one mould. The best results of education are lost, both when the course of education does not follow some defined and settled plan; and also when a plan is followed so closely, and with such attention to details, as to make the procedure mechanical and formal.

With the increase of scholars, it is, of course, necessary to introduce more systematic methods, and establish more minute and careful grading. The risk of making the schools more formal—more like pieces of mechanism, which may,

indeed, work beautifully to the spectator, but, after all, result in the loss to the pupils of individuality and wholesome ambition—is increased thereby. The more minute the grading, the more uniform will be the impression upon the minds of the children. The teacher, when expected to impart instruction upon but few things, will be likely to contract habits of speaking and drilling that will, unconsciously to herself, have a mechanical effect.

The concert exercises, and the necessary confinement of all the scholars, to small rounds of exact duties and the unvarying daily routine, do have a tendency to assimilate minds to each other, and give a shade of truth to the remark that the graduates of our highest public schools resemble each other as closely as so many peas. It is not possible wholly to avoid evil effects of this nature. The number of scholars in public schools make it inevitable that there should be system more or less exact, and all must, to some extent, come under the system.

The Committee, however, have endeavored to adjust, so far as they could, the demands made upon scholars to peculiarities of mind, and to the varying circumstances of the pupils—such as frail health, or necessary absence for various reasons. We are reluctant to consent to the dropping of any study laid down in the course of study; yet we are not blind to the fact that it is better to keep a scholar in school, though some study be omitted, than to drive him from school by compelling him to go through a certain unvarying course. Indeed, whatever variations from the general system it seems wise to sanction in particular cases, we are always ready to approve.

We also highly prize that versatility in teachers which enables some of them to break up monotony, and arrest the evil effects of mere mechanical attention to duties, by introducing variety in exercises, and awakening, by various means, the curiosity and natural love of inquiry of scholars.

The grading of our schools has, within a few years, undergone modifications. Children entering the Centre Primary School, No. 1, at the age of five, spend one year in each of

seven schools, and at twelve reach the Advanced Grammar School. In the Ward schools the grading must be very different. The West Ward and the Franklin Street schools are the only others in which more than one grade is possible, and these have but two. The Montrose and North Ward schools are large, but not large enough to be divided.

To those persons who think highly of minute grading, this will appear to involve misfortune to the scholars in the outer Wards; but the evil is not an unmixed one. If those pupils do not have the advantages of close grading, they do not suffer from the evils of it; and, so far as our experience has yet gone, we find that when scholars reach the Advanced Grammar School, the advantage of the superior grading of the Centre schools, though perceptible, is not so great as it might be expected to be. Competent teachers in the outer Wards, with all the disadvantages of inferior grading, furnish about as good material as those of the Centre schools.

Occasionally, a class of superior excellence will come up through the grades of the Centre schools, and, being large, and having been associated together for some time, and become emulous of each other, will throw into the shade, for the time, scholars who have come in by twos and threes from the outer wards; but after a year or two real excellence finds its level, and at graduation little difference can be discerned.

In the High School some option is allowed to the scholars in the choice of studies. Formerly, all were expected to pursue the same branches; but experience has taught us that, as some scholars cannot become interested in, and will never want to pursue, certain studies,—Latin for example,—it is not wise to insist that they shall devote time to them. There are, therefore, practically, three courses of study in the High School—an English course, a mixed course, and a classical course. With the present teaching force in the school we have allowed scholars to choose their studies to an extent quite as great as is wise. The more studies, with a given teaching force, the less time can be spent upon each. Did we deem it best to employ another assistant in the school we could meet more fully the wish of some parents to have

their children study only such branches as, in their view, would be useful. In consideration, however, of the cost of the High School as compared with that of other schools in town, we are not satisfied that it would be just to expend a larger sum in sustaining it. At the same time we are confident that the best interests of the school, judged by itself, would be promoted should we add to the teaching force employed in it.

THE SCHOOLS.

The year has been one of continued prosperity. The teachers have, without exception, labored diligently and successfully. The schools are large, and some of them difficult; but the Committee have found very little to reprove or correct. It is deemed a matter for congratulation that so few changes have occurred during the year. The influence and the skill which experience and continuance in the same school give a teacher, are of great value to the school and to herself. The question of transferring a teacher from one school to another, or of promoting a teacher, sometimes comes before the Committee; but it is one which, if a teacher is successful in the place she already fills, they never like to consider.

At the same time, they are not unmindful of the fact that a teacher who has proved her fidelity and ability by years of successful service, has some claim to that recognition of her services which advancement to a more responsible post gives. Circumstances, however, have not, for some time past, given that opportunity for showing such recognition, which, were the teachers less permanent, would be given. While, with so few exceptions, the teachers meet our wishes by remaining at their posts, there is opportunity neither to appoint teachers from without, of whom we think well, nor to promote those already in our service.

One teacher whose departure from us was much regretted, Miss Abbie F. Nye, resigned her post in January. She was a very valuable teacher, and by her faithful labors during eight years as assistant in the High School, did much to

make its instruction thorough, and its influence elevating. She carried with her to her new sphere the sincere respect of the Committee, the high regard of the Principal, and the affection of many pupils. Her resignation was tendered in the middle of a term, when it would be altogether unwise to transfer to her place any teacher already employed, and Miss Eliza M. Greenwood was appointed temporarily to fill the vacancy. Her success, however, induced the Committee to continue the appointment.

We do not think it necessary to pass the schools in review, and point out what we might deem the special excellences or defects of each. No brief remarks would convey any very valuable information regarding them.

It is a standing regret of the teachers that so few parents visit the schools, and learn for themselves concerning the difficulties of which complaint is sometimes made, and consult with them regarding the best method of controlling those inclined to be unruly, and awakening the ambition of those who are inattentive and dull. With this regret the Committee sympathize. It is not difficult to understand how it happens that parents leave the schools almost wholly to the teachers and the Committee; but the evil flowing from such neglect is very great. Parents have no higher duty than that which relates to the training of their children. Teachers are their assistants in this matter, and the parent and the teacher should have a common understanding about the methods to be pursued, and ends to be aimed at.

Often does the remark reach the ear of the Committee, "The teacher does not understand my boy." How should the teacher understand your boy? Have you ever talked with her about his temperament and other peculiarities? The child has been under your eye from infancy. You know all about him—his failings and his excellences—and could, if you would take the time to do it, put the teacher in possession of points that, perhaps, the child, in his natural timidity, would conceal from her for years. To say nothing of many irritations which intercourse between parents and teachers would allay, it is quite certain that it would give the

teachers great advantage in all efforts to awaken the interest of the children in studies.

SINGING.

In the wish to reduce expenses, it was determined, a year ago, to dispense with the services of the teacher of Music. Some of the Committee consented to the measure with great reluctance, while none wished that instruction by a special teacher in that branch should be permanently discontinued. It does not admit of doubt, that there will be serious loss if no such teacher is employed. The effect of the instruction of the former teacher, Mrs. Grover, yet remains; but many of our teachers have far too little acquaintance with the best method of teaching music, to permit the hope that they can keep the schools at the point of excellence at which they now are. A competent teacher could be secured at considerably lower rates than those formerly paid; and our conviction is very decided that the grant for schools the coming year should be sufficiently large to enable the Committee to employ such a teacher.

As will be remembered by many, a highly successful concert, under the direction of Mrs. Grover, was given by several hundred scholars in the Town Hall, last summer.

The pleasure and surprise which the attainments in music, of very young scholars, then occasioned, are not yet forgotten; and many families would deem it a great misfortune if regular instruction by a special teacher were not renewed.

GRADUATION.

The closing exercises of each class, on leaving the High School, are becoming more and more matters of general interest to the public.

This is, of itself, excellent testimony to the valuable results reached by the education provided by the town. It is no slight proof of thoroughness in study, and acquaintance with good methods of expressing thoughts, that young persons of the age of those graduating at our High School can present to our intelligent people so attractive entertainments. If criticism and complaint regarding our schools were common—

as, happily, they are not—it would be a ready answer to them to point to the results year by year presented for the judgment of all capable of judging. We do not challenge comparisons between our High School and Academies or endowed schools; and yet the actual ends attained by us are not inferior to those reached in many schools of such character. All graduating classes are not equally large or equally intelligent; but it is a matter for congratulation that every class is a good witness to the liberality of the town, and the fidelity of teachers.

The graduating exercises of the last class were held in the Town Hall, June 30th, in the presence of a large audience. Rev. Wm. F. Potter, then Chairman of the School Committee, presented the diplomas.

GRADUATES OF 1875.

ALICE A. ALEXANDER,	EVERETT G. DALAND,
CLARA E. BANCROFT,	HARRY FOSTER,
JULIA A. BLAKE,	IDA E. PENNELL,
WALTER O. CARTWRIGHT,	WALTER F. PERKINS,
FRANK F. CUTTER,	SUSIE D. TURNBULL,
GEORGE A. TYZZER.	

SCHOOL HOUSES.

It was said in the last report that the condition of the school property was such that but little money for repairs would be required; and, as a matter of fact, little has been expended. Much attention, however, has been paid to many matters about and within the houses; and, in respect to most of the buildings, the remark made for the past year will be true for the coming one. One or two of the buildings, however, will need the expenditure of more money than they required last year. The means of heating some of the rooms have been changed—coal stoves taking the place of those suitable for burning wood. The janitors have faithfully performed their duties, at rates considerably below those paid in previous years. The Committee have changed their method of exercising oversight over school property. Whereas it had been the custom to appoint one member for

each district, at the beginning of the current year a sub-committee was appointed to take charge of all the houses; and the result has been that many things which, under the old system, were overlooked, have received attention and correction.

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

The crowded condition of the primary school on Franklin street compelled the Committee to procure another apartment, and establish during the summer months a branch school, which was put under the charge of Miss M. Clara Sweetser, and afterward of Miss M. A. Wiley. With the return of cold weather the number of scholars decreased, and the two schools were reunited, but being very large two teachers were still employed. It has now been several years since this school began to be overrun with pupils, and the evil has continued without abatement. Various methods of relief have presented themselves to the Committee. There is a question of locality connected with the matter. Many of the pupils come from that portion of the town lying west of the Boston & Maine Railroad, and the inquiry has been raised whether the interests of the people living there do not require a school building in their own neighborhood.

The reasons in favor of the plan are :

1. The crowded condition of the schools on Franklin street, and the primary schools in the Centre and the West Ward, making it necessary that additional accommodations should be provided somewhere.
2. The steadily increasing population of that portion of the town.
3. The distance of those families from the public school houses.
4. The danger to which the children are exposed in having to cross three railroad tracks, over which there are not less than fifty trains daily—a danger so great as to lead some families to keep their children at home.

The chief objection to the plan, and the only one that has suggested itself to the Committee, exists in the burden of expense it would impose.

With the desire of ascertaining all the facts in the case, a sub-committee was appointed last year to examine the whole subject, and report. That service was performed; and the committee would then have presented the report to the town, but for their disinclination to advise any farther expenditure of money for school accommodations. The subject, however, has again forced itself upon us, and another sub-committee has been instructed to re-examine it, and their report has been made. The committee desire to refer the whole matter to the town, and having done this their own responsibility will be discharged.

The facts obtained by both the committees above named are condensed, and stated below in brief form :

The whole number of dwelling houses included in the following limits—to wit. : Boston & Maine Railroad on the east, Broadway on the south, Town line on the west, and West Chestnut street on the north, is one hundred and five. These houses average two tenements in each, capable of holding, on an average, four people each—eight hundred and forty inhabitants,—representing one hundred and fifty scholars, one-fifth of whom are already provided for in the High and Grammar schools, leaving one hundred and twenty scholars. By actual count, the number of children between four and twelve in the section described is eighty-five.

The discrepancy in the two results is owing, doubtless, to the fact that some dwellings are vacant, as well as to the fact that all computations from the number of dwellings must be inexact. Yet in the prosperity all are looking for, the dwellings will doubtless be filled. Putting the number, however, at the lowest figure, it will not fall below seventy-five, and that seems quite too large a number to crowd into the different schools, or to send across railroad tracks. The attention of the town is invited to the subject.

EXPENSES.

Mindful of the expressed wish of the town, and fully perceiving its wisdom, it has been the aim of the Committee during the past year to keep expenditures at as low a point as was consistent with efficiency in the schools. In most respects we have been successful.

Owing to circumstances over which we had no control, and chiefly the sickness of Mrs. Grover, we were not able to manage the matter of the musical exhibition in such a way as to pay as much as we hoped towards the expense of the new singing books introduced into the schools.

On the whole, however, it was deemed no loss that some of the books should be made the property of the schools; and the benefit of them to the pupils has, probably, compensated for their cost to the town, or certainly will do so.

In one other respect the plans of retrenchment laid last year were not fully met. It was proposed to the Committee, before the last annual meeting, that the school year should be thirty-eight, instead of forty weeks in length. They assented to the proposal; but after thoroughly considering all the reasons for and against the plan, its wisdom seemed to be doubtful, and they returned to the former arrangement. It has been found possible, however, to dismiss besides the Music teacher, two assistant teachers, and one teacher in the Training School, and, without diminishing salaries, to bring expenses within the limits prescribed.

The Committee desire to call the attention of the town to the fact that the schools with two or three exceptions are large; and that only teachers that are above the average in point of ability can be safely intrusted with them. A few hundred dollars saved by such reduced appropriations as would result in the loss of four or five of our best teachers would be money thrown away. A little misplaced economy of this sort would turn the pride we may now justly feel in our schools into shame.

Inasmuch as a Committee has been appointed by the town in part to determine what amount of money will be needed for the schools the coming year, we forbear to make any recommendations.

CHARLES R. BLISS, *Chairman.*

HENRY D. SMITH, *Secretary.*

LUCIUS BEEBE.

CHAPLIN G. TYLER.

GEORGE W. ABORN.

NAMES OF TEACHERS, SALARY, AND DATE OF ELECTION.

Names of Schools.	Teachers.	When elected.	Salaries.
High,	Melvin J. Hill, . . .	Mar., 1869,	\$1750 per yr.
"	Eliza M. Greenwood, .	Jan., 1876,	600 " "
Advanced Gram'r,	M. E. Wentworth, . .	Mar., 1871,	700 " "
Cent. Gram. No. 1,	Abbie S. Perkins, . .	Sept., 1873,	13 per w.
" " " 2,	Ella M. Pinkham, . .	Mar., 1873,	13 " "
" " " 3,	Lilla Means,	Feb'y, 1874,	13 " "
C't. Interme'ate, 1,	{ Elenora Hutchinson, }	Jan. 1858,	650 per yr,
" " " 2,			
Cent. Primary, 1,	Francella Evans, . . .	April, 1862,	11.50 w.
" " 2,	C. Eveline Sweetser, .	Mar., 1856,	11.50 "
West Interme'ate,	Ella M. Dager, . . .	Sept., 1873,	11.50 "
West Primary, .	Sophie F. Hamblin, . .	Nov., 1868,	11.50 "
Franklin Inter'ate,	M. Annie Warren, . .	Dec., 1871,	11 50 "
" Primary,	{ Myra A. Stearns, . .	Sept., 1875,	9.00 "
	{ A. M. Wiley, . . .	Nov., 1875,	7.00 "
North,	Sara L. Thomas, . . .	Sept., 1872,	11.50 "
East,	Ann R. Killorin, . . .	Sept., 1873,	10.00 "
"	Emma L. Upham, . . .	Sept., 1874,	6.00 "
Greenwood, . .	Frances Hartshorne, . .	Sept., 1874,	10.00 "
Woodville, . .	Josie Mansfield, . . .	Sept., 1871,	10.00 "

TABLE OF ATTENDANCE.

SCHOOLS.	Average whole number.	Average daily attendance.	Average per cent. of attendance.	Number under five years of age.	Number over fifteen years of age.
High School,	60	58	99		46
Advanced Grammar,	44	40	92		16
Central Grammar, No. 1,	44	40	94		7
Central Grammar, No. 2,	49	47	94		2
Central Grammar, No. 3,	47	47	95		1
Training School, No. 1,	53	45	92		
Training School, No. 2,	61	50	90		
Central Primary, No. 1,	46	39	83		
Central Primary, No. 2,	49	47	87		
West Primary,	54	40	77		
West Intermediate,	35	28	80		
Franklin Street Primary,	61	46	90		
Franklin Street Intermediate,	51	44	92		
North Ward,	59	50	92		
East Ward,	64	41	79		1
Woodville,	43	33	69		
Greenwood,	45	35	84		
	865	730	87		73

Number of children between 5 and 15 years of age, May, 1875, 1013.

The School Expenses may be found in the Town Auditors' Report.

The School Calendar is not inserted because of the confusion that a possible change in the length of the school year would occasion. For the dates of the beginning of the terms the *Citizen & Banner* may be consulted.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

BEEBE TOWN LIBRARY.

Twenty years ago a number of gentlemen of liberal culture, and actuated by true public spirit, caused to be inserted in the town warrant an article for an appropriation for the establishment and maintenance of a Public Library in South Reading, and at the annual meeting advocated the measure with strong argument and convincing eloquence; and five hundred dollars were granted by the Town for the beneficent purpose. About the same time the resources of the new Library were largely increased by generous donations of books and money from individuals and organizations.

Our *argosy* thus fairly launched, entered at once upon a voyage of usefulness and glory, and richly freighted with the additions of successive years, not only flaunted its flag of Freedom and Intelligence on the breezes of general prosperity, but through billows of bankruptcy, the squalls of panics, and the unwholesome calms of business stagnation, its worth amid prevailing fear and disaster becoming even more conspicuous, with ensign "still full high advanced," has unloaded its precious stores of knowledge and entertainment to a hungry and appreciative population.

May our good Ship of Books, wafted by soft zephyrs, or blown by prosperous gales, still sail on and on through seas of popular favor, until in the world's Millenium it shall furl its sails by an Elysian shore, "whose waters are amber and whose sands are gold."

Twenty years is not a long period of time, but it has proved long enough to bring a generation of shouting school-boys forward into the front ranks of "men the workers,"—long enough to increase the number of books in our Library six-fold,—long enough to cover from sight, though not from memory, the form of many a good and trusted friend of the Beebe Town Library. The survivors of that earlier company,

who in eighteen hundred and fifty-six stood sponsors for the infant institution, with no lack of ready recruits from another generation, must close up the ranks and occupy, though they may not fill, the vacant places, until the summons comes to *follow*.

No events of special significance affecting the Public Library, have occurred during the past year, but it has continued to be a centre of good influences, radiating to every part of the town.

The sage remark of old *Polonius*, "Neither a borrower nor a lender be," is not highly esteemed among the friends and patrons of the Library. We prefer the remark of *Burke*, "He that borrows the aid of an equal understanding, doubles his own; he that uses that of a superior, elevates his own to the stature of that he contemplates."

To *borrow* still further, "Books are the true levellers. They give to all who will faithfully use them the society, the spiritual presence, of the best and greatest of our race. No matter how poor I am, no matter though the prosperous of my own time will not enter my obscure dwelling, if the Sacred Writers will enter and take up their abode under my roof, if Milton will cross my threshold to sing to me of Paradise, and Shakespeare to open to me the worlds of imagination, and the workings of the human heart, and Franklin to enrich me with his practical wisdom, I shall not pine for want of intellectual companionship, and I may become a cultivated man, though excluded from what is called the best society in the place where I live."

We quote once more, and this time it shall be from the English *Fox*: "Nothing is more delightful than to lie under a tree, in the summer, with a book, except to lie under a tree, in the summer, without a book."

A brilliant writer has lately printed a volume and devoted one chapter to the "Abuse of Reading," wherein is much wisdom, and given up another chapter to abusing Town Libraries, intimating that their shelves contain a small proportion of valuable and useful books, and that the youth of towns, to a large extent, weaken and debase their minds by exclusive reading of such books as "Mrs. Fanny Firefly's

highly seasoned love stories for girls, and Mr. Samuel Sensation's boy-novels, and spiced preparations of boned history, which are got up, like the port-wine drops of the confectioners, to tempt and to sell."

In behalf of *our* Library, and in behalf of *our* people, we resent and repel an insinuation so unfounded. While freely admitting the great popularity of the *story-tellers*, and regretting that our taste is not *more* cultivated and refined, we are sure our purchasers and borrowers have exercised a much better and wiser discrimination than the author above quoted would have his readers believe.

The Trustees recommend that two hundred dollars, in addition to the dog-taxes, be appropriated for the maintenance of the Library the ensuing year.

"And here, to-day, the dead look down,
The kings of mind again we crown;
We hear the sage's word: we trace
The foot-prints of our human race.

Here Greek and Roman find themselves
Alive along these crowded shelves;
And Shakespeare treads again his stage,
And Chaucer paints anew his age.

As if some Pantheon's marbles broke
Their stony trance, and lived and spoke,
Life thrills around the alcoved hall,
The lords of thought await our call."

LUCIUS BEEBE, *Chairman*.

HARRIET N. FLINT.

ELIZA A. WAKEFIELD.

EDWARD MANSFIELD.

THOMAS WINSHIP.

FRANCIS P. HURD.

GEORGE A. HARDY.

HENRY D. SMITH.

OLON O. RICHARDSON.

AZEL AMES, JR.

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T. E. BALCH, *Secretary*.

C. W. EATON, *Treasurer*.

Wakefield, March 11, 1876.

Trustees.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE LIBRARY.

Becbe Town Library in account with C. W. Eaton, Treasurer of Trustees.

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By Balance from last year, . . .	\$71 64
Town appropriation, . . .	200 00
Dog Taxes, refunded Town by County, . . .	383 04
Interest on Flint Fund, . . .	70 00
Interest on Hurd Fund, . . .	23 20
Sale of Catalogues and fines received, . . .	37 25
Sale of old papers, . . .	2 58
Cash for book lost, . . .	1 50
Cash from Spelling Match, . . .	29 70
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To cash paid for new books, . . .	\$416 94
V. E. Marsh, Librarian, . . .	275 00
for repairs of books, . . .	81 70
ice urn, tray and ice, . . .	9 25
covering paper, . . .	6 38
bulletin board and other furniture, . . .	4 75
express charges, . . .	4 75
labels, . . .	1 25
sundries at Library, . . .	5 98
Balance on hand, . . .	12 91
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C. W. EATON, *Treasurer of Trustees.*

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Total number of volumes in the Library, . . .	5,414
Added by purchase within the year, . . .	390
Added by donation from Lucius Beebe, Esq., . . .	52
State of Massachusetts, . . .	7
Hon. D. W. Gooch, . . .	18
John Eaton, Jr., Washington, . . .	1
Hyde Park Public Library, . . .	1
Miss Sarah Bancroft, . . .	1
Dr. Alexander Poole, . . .	1
Dr. Azel Ames, Jr., . . .	1
Persons having signed the By-laws 1875-6, . . .	77
No. of Accts. on which books have been charged, . . .	717
books re-bound, . . .	71
discarded as worn-out, . . .	35
Whole number of books delivered, . . .	27,870
Decrease since last year, . . .	1,761
Greatest number to one account, . . .	283
Average number delivered each day, . . .	230
Average number delivered each hour, . . .	46

VICTORINE E. MARSH, *Librarian.*

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| 4555 | A Boy's Kingdom, or Four Years in a Cave. | |
| 4795 | Abandoned, | Jules Verne. |
| 4675 | A Domestic Problem, | Mrs. A. M. Diaz. |
| 4617 | A Double Story, | George Macdonald. |
| 4839 | A Farmer's Vacation, | George E. Waring. |
| 4488 | Africa, Explorations and Adventures, | C. H. Jones. |
| 4546 | A Floating City, or the Blockade Runners, | Jules Verne. |
| 4671 | Afraja, or Love and Life in Norway, | German of Mugge. |
| 4740 | A Garden of Women, | Sarah Tytler. |
| 4612 | A Group of Poets and their Haunts, | James A. Harrison. |
| 4821 | A Hero of the Pen, | German of Werner. |
| 4574 | Alice Neville and Riverdale, | C. E. Bowen. |
| 4602 | Alicia Warlock, | Wilkie Collins. |
| 4652 | Alice Brand, | A. G. Riddle. |
| 4666 | Alice Lorraine, | R. D. Blackmore. |
| 4643 | American Evangelists, Moody and Sankey. | |
| 4794 | American in Iceland, The | Samuel Kneeland. |
| 4575 | Amongst the Maoris, | Emelia Marryat. |
| 4682 | A Mad Marriage, | May Agnes Fleming. |
| 4772 | Among the Tartar Tents, | Annie Bowman. |
| 4576 | Anecdote Biographies, Moore and Jerden, | R. H. Stoddard. |
| 4650 | An Idyl of Work, | Lucy Larcom. |
| 4694 | A Nine Day's Wonder, | Hamilton Aide. |
| 4474 | Annette, | Charlotte Walsingham. |
| 4560 | Annals of Curious and Romantic Lives. | |
| 4519 | Annis Warleigh's Fortunes, | Holme Lee. |
| 4664 | A Norseman's Pilgrimage, | H. H. Boyesen. |
| 4506 | Antony Brade, | Robert Lowell. |
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| 4911 | Among my Books. Second Series. | J. R. Lowell. |
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| 4642 | A Pastor's Recollections, | Rev. T. G. Dashiell. |
| 4875 | A Paying Investment, | Anna Dickinson. |
| 4584 | A Perfect Adonis, | Mrs. Sidney Harris. |
| 4799 | A Plea for Mercy to Animals, | Dr. Macauley. |
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| 4547 | A Ramble Round the World, | Baron de Hubner. |

- 4524 A Rose in June, Mrs. Oliphant.
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 4072 A Summer Parish, Sabbath Discourses of H. W. Beecher.
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 4661 At Capri, Clara Bauer.
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 4565 Autobiography of a Man of War's Bell, Lieut. C. R. Low.
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 4513 Avillion and Other Tales, Mrs. Craik.
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 4700 A Woman's Ransom, F. W. Robinson.
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 4589 Chaste as Ice and Pure as Snow, Mrs. M. C. Despard.

4594	Charley Laurel,	W. H. G. Kingston.
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4735	Common-Sense Management of the Stomach,	Geo. O. Drewry.
4632	Conquering and to Conquer,	Mrs. Charles.
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(Signed)

T. J. SKINNER, FREEMAN EMMONS, E. E. EMERSON,	}	<i>Auditors.</i>
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